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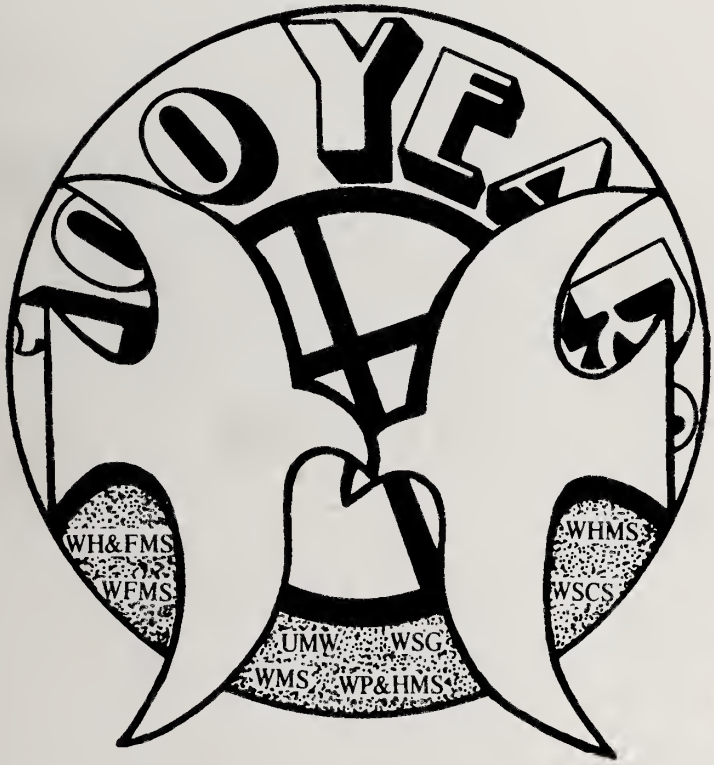

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

January - March	Call to Prayer and Self Denial
January 5	Program Committee Meeting
January 19	Task Group Annual Meeting Program
February 8 - 9	Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting, Hot Wells
March 1	Conf/District Vice Presidents and Missions Coordinators Meeting
March 7	World Day of Prayer, Church Women United
March 13 - 14	Church Women United, Shreveport
March 14 - 17	Women Division Meeting
March 28 - 30	Jurisdiction Meeting, El Paso, Texas
April 12	Board of Laity
April 15 - 25	General Conference, Indianapolis, Indiana
May 2	May Fellowship Day, Church Women United
June 2 - 5	Annual Conference, Centenary College
June 15 - 20	School of Missions, Regional, Lincoln, Neb.
June 26 - 29	Church Women United Ecumenical Assembly, Los Angeles
July 15 - 18	Jurisdictional Meeting, Little Rock, Arkansas
July 21	Executive Committee Meeting, Shreveport
July 22 - 27	School of Missions, Conference, Shreveport
September 19 - 20	Annual U.M.W. Meeting, Dillard University, N. O.
October 24 - 25	District Elected Leadership Training
November 7	World Community Day, Church Women United
November 21 - 23	Training Event for Chairperson of Committee on Nominations
December 4 - 7	N.O.T.E. (New Officer Training Experience), New York

DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETINGS

District	Date	Location
Alexandria	October 5, 1980	Newman UMC, Alexandria
Baton Rouge - Hammond	October 12, 1980	Roberts Chapel, Denham Springs
Baton Rouge - Lafayette	October 4, 1980	1st UMC, Plaquemine
Lake Charles	October 4, 1980	St. Luke, Lake Charles
Monroe	October 4, 1980	First UMC, Monroe
New Orleans - Houma	October 12, 1980	Luling UMC, Luling
New Orleans - Slidell	October 12, 1980	St. Timothy Church, Mandeville
Ruston	October 5, 1980	Shongaloo UMC, Shongaloo
Shreveport	October 11 - 12, 1980	Broadmoor UMC, Shreveport

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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir

DEDICATION

During our centennial celebration in 1979, Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women discovered many heroines in our history. None stand taller than Mrs. Truman Ward, our conference president from 1975 through 1979. By her example, she taught us the importance of honest, open communicating and of truly valuing each other.

To Amy and all the many others who have given of themselves so unselfishly to lead our Louisiana organization through its first 100 years in mission, this Annual Report and Directory is dedicated with gratitude and thanksgiving.

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PURPOSE

The organized unit of United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose PURPOSE is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

--Article 3 of the Constitution

THE COVER

One hundred years of service. The doves represent the ending of one hundred years and a new beginning. The letters stand for:

1879 - 1890	WFMS	Women's Foreign Missionary Society
1881 - 1940	WHMS	Women's Home Missionary Society Methodist Episcopal Church
1891 - 1900	WP & HMS	Woman's Foreign Mission Society
1900 - 1911	WH & FMS	Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society
1911 - 1940	WSCS	Woman's Society of Christian Service
1940 - 1968	WSG	Wesleyan Service Guild
1968 - 1972	WSCS	Women's Society of Christian Service
1972 -	UMW	United Methodist Women

We are indebted to Ms. Diana Burke and Oddette Rickett for the beautiful and unusual design used on the covers of the Programs and the Historical Booklets.

OUR POLICY

It is against the policy of the Women's Division to release lists of officers to any organization or commercial firm. These lists are published for the use of the district and conference of the Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women and are to be used only for the promotion of the work of the United Methodist Women.

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Barksdale (25) ..... Mrs. Carol Allen, 1600 Michael Circle, Bossier City 71112
First Church (100) ..... Mrs. Geneva Hensley, 2103 Normand Ave., Bossier City 71112
St. Stephens (36) ..... Mrs. Johnny Carmichael, 1527 Debra, Bossier City 71111
Gilliam ( )
Grand Cane (9) ..... Mrs. Edith Platt, P. O. Box 85, Grand Cane 71032
Greenwood (32) ..... Mrs. Johnny Hollingsworth, P. O. Box 96, Greenwood 71033
Haughton (18) ..... Mrs. Ola Worley, P. O. Box 24, Haughton 71037
Logansport:
First Church (45) ..... Mrs. Lester Smith, P. O. Box 134, Logansport 71049
Mt. Zion (15) ..... Mrs. Bessie Boykins, P. O. Box 161, Logansport 71049
Love Chapel (9) ..... Mrs. Louise Dodson, Rt. 4, Box 706, Haughton 71037
Mansfield:
First Church (62) ..... Mrs. Johnny Sly, 121 First St., Mansfield 71052
Pleasant Valley (9) ..... Mrs. Iva Pegues, Rt. 4, Box 263, Mansfield 71052
Shady Grove ..... Mrs. Ann Shelton, P. O. Box 972, Mansfield 71052
Wesley (51) ..... Mrs. Felton U. Shamlin, P. O. Box 268, Mansfield 71052
Many (35) ..... Mrs. I. D. Bostian, 1015 Capital St., Many 71449
Mitchell (7) ..... Mrs. Donald R. Rike, Rt. 2, Box 84, Converse 71419
Mooringsport (16) ..... Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner, P. O. Box 445, Mooringsport 71060
New Light (6) ..... Mrs. Rosie B. Kennedy, Rt. 2, Box 207, Benton 71006
Plain Dealing (25) ..... Mrs. Bryce Turnley, P. O. Box 218, Plain Dealing 71064

Shreveport:

Broadmoor (284) ..... Mrs. Susie Johnson, 558 Dunmoreland, Shreveport 71106
Caddo Heights (40) ..... Mrs. Nonie Best, 1517 Earl, Shreveport 71108
Cedar Grove (41) ..... Mrs. W. G. Beckham, 505 Levin Lane, Shreveport 71105
Christ (60) ..... Mrs. Sue Shadow, 9129 Blom Blvd., Shreveport 71118
Fairfield (22) ..... Mrs. Bettye Moore, Rt. 2, Box 3G, Keithville 71047
Fairview ( ) ..... Mrs. Russell Anderson, 5813 Union Ave., Shreveport 71108
First Church (318) ..... Mrs. Robert Lindsey, 278 Carrollton, Shreveport 71105
Jewella (15) ..... Mrs. Lillie Robinson, 4116 Robinhood, Shreveport 71109
Johnson's Chapel (8) ..... Mrs. Carolyn Browder, 2120 Russel Rd., Shreveport 71107
Lakeview (44) ..... Mrs. Harold Evers, 3224 Timothy Circle, Shreveport 71119
Mangum (138) ..... Mrs. Fred Peters, 6053 Fox Chase Tr., Shreveport 71129
Morningside (60) ..... Mrs. F. C. Boston, 5406 Fairfax, Shreveport 71108
Mt. Zion ( ) ..... Mrs. Johnnie Williams, 2109 Ruby St., Shreveport 71107
Noel (222) ..... Mrs. Fred C. Davis, 333 Wayne Dr., Shreveport 71105
North Highlands ( ) ..... Mrs. Jon Oliver, 712 Booth Dr., Shreveport 71107
Round Grove (12) ..... Mrs. Inell W. Myers, 1417 David Raines Rd., Shreveport 71107
St. James (50) ..... Mrs. Leroy Prillerman, 213 Plano St., Shreveport 71103
St. Luke (35) ..... Mrs. Kenneth Rigby, 8916 Creswell, Shreveport 71106
St. Paul (82) ..... Mrs. Kenneth Myers, 333 Holcomb Dr., Shreveport 71103
Summer Grove (84) ..... Mrs. Mabel Martin, Rt. 3, Box 249, Keithville 71047
Trinity (13) ..... Mrs. W. L. Simmons, Jr., 3744 Oakcrest, Shreveport 71109
Wynn ( )

Zwolle (21) ..... Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, P. O. Box 73, Zwolle 71486

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE - UNITED METHODIST WOMEN **BUDGET REPORT - 1979**

	Budgeted	Receipts	Disbursed	Balance
Louisiana Church Women United	$ 100.00		$ 100.00	-0-
Jurisdiction A & MD	750.00		840.00	90.00 –
District A & MD	6750.00	401.35	6850.00	301.35 +
Travel	5500.00		5964.76	464.76 –
Officer Resources	150.00		82.08	67.92 +
Regional School of CM	1800.00	934.85	2524.62	210.23 +
Conference School of CM	1500.00	11434.03	14745.41	1811.38 –
Annual Meeting	900.00	1873.36	3490.58	717.22 –
District Elected Leader Training	350.00	251.50	3905.02	3303.52 –
Church Related Meetings	200.00		155.55	44.45 +
Conference Workshops	1800.00			1800.00 +
Jurisdiction Meeting Cumulation	300.00		300.00	-0-
CWU Ecumenical Assembly Cumulation	350.00		350.00	-0-
UMW Assembly	800.00		800.00	-0-
National Seminar	400.00		400.00	-0-
Other Special Meetings	1000.00		339.00	661.00 +
Conference Directory	1250.00	71.00	1201.75	119.25 +
Postage	500.00		621.43	121.43 +
Office Supplies & Mimeo	575.00		1026.97	451.97 –
Telephone	275.00		942.76	667.76 –
Audit	500.00		500.00	-0-
Bonding	75.00			75.00 +
Miscellaneous (Inc. Honoring Clergy)	400.00		558.69	158.69 –
Unanticipated Opportunities*	2000.00	5972.97	6344.26	1628.71 +
Totals	$28225.00	$20939.06	$52042.88	$2878.82 –

*Retreat $371.29

Excess for Future Programming Account - Analysis

Excess January 1, 1979	$33,898.73
Annual Meeting Drama	2,000.00 –
Refund Ruston	150.00 –
Interest Earned	538.43 +
Newsletter grant*	672.07 +
Budget Overage	2,878.82 –
Total Excess Amount 12/31/79	$30,080.41

Of this excess amount, $12,980.00 will be taken for the 1980 Budget Supplement. Leaving an excess balance of $17,100.41.

* $2,167.46 was spent on the Newsletter in 1979. Balance of grant returned to Excess Account as this will be a budgeted item in 1980.

For Reference: $825.00 was used to send 3 persons to National Seminar in 1979.
Our pledge to the Women's Division was overpaid by $19,659.67.

1980 CONFERENCE BUDGET

I. Mission to Others: Pledge to Missions		$171,000
II. Mission to Ourselves: Administration & Membership Development		
A. **Travel Expenses** (mileage, room, board, insurance to Executive Committee Events within our conference)	$ 7,600	
B. **Officer Resources** (Service Center, etc.)	100	
C. **District Administration & Membership Development**	8,550	
D. **Jurisdiction Administration & Membership Development**	855	
E. **Schools of Christian Mission**		
1. Regional	2,200	
2. Conference (this may be revolving)	1,500	
F. **Programs & Events within our conference**		
1. Annual Meeting	900	
2. District Elected Leadership Training	350	
3. Church Related Meetings	200	
4. Conference Workshop	1,800	
G. **Attendance at Regional & National Events**		
1. Assembly, 1982 (cumulative for 4 years)	30	
2. Jurisdiction Meeting, 1980 (cumulative 4 years)	700	
3. Church Women United Ecumenical Assembly, 1980 (cumulative 3 years)	350	
4. National Seminar, 1984 (cumulative 4 years)	250	
5. Other special meetings	800	
H. **Operating Expenses**		
1. Conference Directory	1,400	
2. Newsletter	2,000	
3. Postage	600	
4. Office Supplies & Mimeographing	500	
5. Telephone	700	
6. Audit	500	
7. Bonding	75	
8. Miscellaneous	400	
I. **Louisiana Church Women United**	140	
J. **Unanticipated Opportunities**	1,000	
TOTAL A&MD BUDGET	$33,500	
TOTAL CONFERENCE BUDGET		$204,500

PROPOSED

Pledge (up $3,000)	$171,000	
Withhold amt. equal to 12% of pledge	20,520	$33,500 A&MD Budget
Using amount from excess	12,980	

1980 DISTRICT PLEDGES:

Alexandria	**$16,500**	**New Orleans-Houma**	**$18,700**
Baton Rouge-Hammond	**16,000**	**New Orleans-Slidell**	**18,000**
Baton Rouge-Lafayette	**21,000**	**Ruston**	**20,500**
Lake Charles	**26,100**	**Shreveport**	**28,500**
Monroe	**19,000**		

DISTRICT RECEIPTS 1979	Alexandria	Baton Rouge -Hammond	Baton Rouge -Lafayette	Lake Charles
PLEDGE	$16,000.00	$14,000.00	$20,000.00	$26,000.00
Pledge to Missions	14,026.80	16,623.51	19,671.80	23,844.22
Special Memb. & Gifts	1,730.18	1,390.00	1,470	2,429.17
In Rembr. & Memorials	168.00	70.00	225.00	358.00
World Thank Offering	412.78	802.88	960.06	1,950.10
Missionary Support	10.00	100.00		59.50
Ret. Conf. Officers	190.00	232.00	275.00	325.18
TOTAL ON PLEDGE	16,537.76	19,218.39	22,601.86	28,966.17
Call to Prayer & S.D.	1,025.18	1,438.58	1,717.07	1,846.44
Spec. Emphasis	30.00	41.47	77.00	187.50
World		176.00	84.00	50.00
National	288.75	1,391.00	172.00	5,430.35
UMCOR		15.00	500.00	1,148.00
Magazine & Picture				4.00
Children's Min. IYC				
La. Moral & Civic	78.80	171.55	60.60	238.90
Conference Directories	5.00		1.00	19.00
Transient Amounts[E]	28.75	556.45	22.75	822.90
GRAND TOTAL	17,994.24	23,008.44	25,236.28	38,713.26

A. Shamblin 25.00, Laskey & Gray 1000.00, Clergy 100.00, Gifts for Conf. Exec. Committee 80.00, Heritage Candle 5524.48
B. $184,800 needed for Pledge & Budget Supplement
C. Offering, Annual Meeting
D. Early Childhood Development Project, Redbird Mission, School of Christian Mission Offering
E. Items not usually channelled through UMW books.

Monroe	New Orleans -Houma	New Orleans -Slidell	Ruston	Shreveport	Conference	TOTAL
$19,000.00	$17,000.00	$17,000.00	$19,500.00	$28,000.00		
18,428.96	16,657.92	16,420.37	18,759.44	26,624.22	56.94	171,114.18
1,040.00	1,225.00	1,818.00	1,275.01	1,957.63	6,729.48[A]	21,064.47
75.00	100.00	25.00	324.00	247.00	152.00	1,744.00
514.48	767.45	971.77	526.47	541.95		7,447.94
338.51	196.54	20.00				724.55
184.50	383.50	178.50	287.50	283.35		2,339.53
20,581.45	19,330.41	19,433.64	21,172.42	29,654.15	6,938.42	204,434.67[B]
1,452.14	1,173.62	1,055.15	1,380.78	1,669.95		12,758.91
500.00		125.00		100.00	928.51[C]	1,989.48
135.00		77.24	25.00	50.00		597.24
1,115.00	2,764.68	656.00	306.00	845.00	467.01[D]	13,435.79
60.00	70.00	95.00	45.00	11.25		1,944.25
		2.00	5.00	8.00		19.00
		141.00				141.00
	83.25	119.90	147.25	185.85		1,086.10
	15.00	10.00	12.00	9.00		71.00
		320.00		414.85		2,165.70
28,843.59	23,436.96	22,034.93	23,093.45	32,948.05	8,333.94	238,643.14

SUMMARY

Balance January 1, 1979			$ 50,646.20
Including: Cash	$29,108.40		
Savings	21,537.80		
	$50,646.20		
Including: A&MD Budget		$11,425.00	
Assembly Cumulation		1,107.94	
Jurisdiction Meeting Cumulation		500.00	
National Seminar Cumulation		500.00	
Triennial CWU Assembly		350.00	
Newsletter grant		2,839.53	
Special Membership: Ruston District		25.00	
Excess for future programming		33,898.73	
		$50,646.20	
Received in 1979			261,277.83
Total to be accounted for			311,924.03
Disbursed in 1979			278,040.68
Balance January 1, 1980			33,883.35
Cash	$23,733.35		
Time Certificate	10,000.00		
Travelers Checks	150.00		
	$33,883.35		
Including: Supplement for 1980 Budget		$12,980.00	
(Remainder to be withheld from 1980)			
Scholarship Fund		320.00	
Jurisdiction Meeting Cumulation		800.00	
CWU Ecumenical Assembly Cumulation		700.00	
Assembly Cumulation		1,907.94	
National Seminar Cumulation		75.00	
Excess for future programming		17,100.41	
		$33,883.35	

EXPENSE GUIDELINES

Louisiana Conference Executive Committee
United Methodist Women
(Amended 9/79)

United Methodist Women recognize the need to be an inclusive group and to have elected leaders who represent a diversity of age, race, economic background, and status of employment. To make this possible, a Budget for Conference Administration and Membership Development is approved annually to provide expenses for those chosen to serve in leadership positions. The following guidelines for reimbursement (along with the Conference Budget) seek to expand the concept of what it means to be in mission.

Expense vouchers are available from the conference treasurer and should be filled out **in full** when applying for reimbursement and submitted to the conference president, secretary, or treasurer. Expenses for specific meetings should be turned in at the close of that meeting, if possible, or no later than the next week.

Leaders are advised to submit all legitimate expenses for doing their job well. If someone cares to donate supplies or services which normally would be covered under these guidelines, s/he is asked to submit those charges and then endorse the check (or refund part of it) directly to the conference treasurer.

The conference officer is often expected to pay her own room, meal, and travel expenses and then turn that amount in for reimbursement. If this arrangement causes personal hardship, a cash advance to cover expected costs may be requested from the conference treasurer.

Every call letter or written announcement of upcoming events requiring "official participation" of conference leaders shall mention further specific palns for financial arrangements not delineated herein (such as whether the individual leaders will pay or sign for meals and lodging).

The following limitations should be noted:

A. **TRAVEL EXPENSES**

1. **Mileage** shall be reimbursed at a rate of 13 cents a mile. Whenever possible, members from the same district or area should form a carpool—to be coordinated by district presidents.
2. **Lodging** may be reimbursed at a rate up to $10 per person per day.
3. **Meals** for any 24-hour period will be reimbursed at a rate of $10 per day (to be divided between meals as desired). Meals for events that last less than one day will be reimbursed at a rate up to $2.00 for breakfast, $4.00 for lunch, and $4.00 for supper.

B. **OFFICER RESOURCES**

Materials which are necessary for information and execution of your job (such as Service Center publications) may be purchased and become the property of the Conference organization. Most of this material should be maintained in the files you keep and pass on to successors. Utmost care should be taken that we do not needlessly duplicate materials which cover overlapping concerns of other leaders.

C. **OPERATING EXPENSES**

Postage, office supplies, mimeographing charges, long-distance telephone charges, and other miscellneous charges are allowable. The use of professional secretarial services and large numbers of Xerox-type copies are discouraged.

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Executive Committee Meeting
First United Methodist Church
Pineville, Louisiana
October 27, 1978

TheLouisiana Conference United Methodist Women Executive Committee Meeting was held at the First United Methodist Church, Pineville, Louisiana, on Friday, October 27, 1978. President, Mrs. Amy Ward, presided. Others present were: Mesdames Ardessie C. Prophet, Ruth Carter, Estelle Dameron, Janet Hoffpauir, Ethel Brupbacher, Gloria Chapman, Betty Blackman, Gail H. Rountree, Kathleen Thom, Evelyn Evans, Helen Owen, Margaret Bryan, Johnnye Butler, Helen Brock, Mary Ellen Gardner, Mary Lou Blakeman, Louvenia Carter, Hazel Beard, Margaret Burris, Nell Read, Azalea Stevenson, Julia Heard, Jeannette Kelley, Jessie Chastain, Audrey R. Milo, Sadie Williams, Lavella Chrisman, and Miss Mary Searles.

Mrs. Ward introduced and welcomed the new members of the Executive Committee.

Minutes from the previous meeting and a letter from the Women's Division were handed out.

Law of Sea - It was recommended that the Program Committee implement a plan of action for the Law of Sea. Recommendation passed.

Nominating Committee - Mrs. Shirley Kalling was elected to go to the nomination committee training in Cincinnati, November 17 - 18.

Commission of the Status and Role of Women - United Methodist Women - Mrs. Lottie Palazzo will not be able to attend the meeting in Nashville in January. Mrs. Ruth Carter made a motion that Mrs. Palazzo and Mrs. Ward to to the meeting in Denver, February 2 - 4. Mrs. Mary Ellen Gardner was elected as an alternate. Motion passed.

World Federation - Mrs. Amy Ward was appointed to go to the meeting in Mobile, Ala., November 17 - 18.

Conference Newsletter - Articles to be featured in the January Newsletter are: the 1979 Conference Retreat, historian article and picture, Law of Sea, a list of books to be used at the School of Christian Missions, and a report of the District Elected Leadership Training. Articles are to be sent to Mrs. Ward by December 1st.

The following dates were announces:
January 13 - Program Committee - Bunkie, 9:30
January 23 - Annual Meeting Committee - Alexandria

Mrs. Janet Hoffpauir asked that she be notified when, where and who concerning the Task Groups.

The meeting closed with prayer by Mrs. Mary Ellen Gardner.

Date: February 9, 1979

Mrs. Louie Chrisman, Secretary
Mrs. Truman Ward, President

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting
Hot Wells Health Resort, Boyce, Louisiana
February 9 - 10, 1979

The Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women held its Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting on February 9 - 10, 1979 in the Meeting Room of Hot Wells Health Resort, Boyce, Louisiana with President Mrs. Truman Ward presiding. Others present were Mesdames Walter Brock, Louie Chrisman, Richard Hoffpauir, Howard Milo, Wayne Bryan, T. J. Butler, Sr., George Chastain, Jr., Warren Blakeman, Sadie Williams, G. W. Dameron, Edward T. Carruth, A. J. Palazzo, Robert Compton, Wiley B. Gardner, Sidney B. Evans, Jr., John Blackman, Ardessie C. Prophet, George L. Heard, Sr., Helen Owen, George Carter, Robert E. Eggerton, Cecil Read, Harvey L. Carter, Kathleen Thom, Gail Rountree, Robert H. Brupbacher, Jr., Albert Stevenson, James Burris, Charles Beard, Jr., Vera Williams, Clarence Bell, Shirley Kalling, J. D. Cardwell, and E. Mae Calvin.

The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m., with Mrs. Ward welcoming everyone.

Opening experience was given by Mrs. Milo, Conference Christian Personhood, using a large pencil, she asked each one to write something in their hearts using scriptures, Psalms 139:1-6, 23-24.

Minutes from September 22, 23, October 27, 1979 meetings and an Administrative Committee Meeting held January 13, 1979, were approved.

Examining Committee: Mrs. Bryan and Mrs. Brupbacher were appointed to examine the minutes.

Correspondence: Received from Mrs. Mai Gray, Mrs. Margaret Bryan, Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, Mrs. Samuel Paul Emanuel, Mrs. Clara Kennon, Mrs. Sadie Williams, Mrs. Allie Howes, and The Women's Division were read.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Hoffpauir, Conference Treasurer brought out interesting and encouraging facts about the 1978 budget.

Reports: President, Mrs. Ward reported on the meetings she had attended in 1978. Mrs. Ward stated her priority for 1979 is to communicate the PURPOSE and true image of U.M.W. (including our financial responsibilities) to the total church, pastors and laity.

Conference Officers' reports are on file with the president and secretary.

District Presidents' reports are on file with the president and secretary.

Women's Division: Mrs. Compton reported that MacDonell United Methodist Children's Services, Dulac Community Center and St. Mark's Community Center received grants from the 1978 Assembly offering.

In recent survey it showed that two-thirds of the members of the U.M.W. are fifty five years or older. Members made requests for more program material, Bible studies, and devotional material. The following resources are available from the Women's Division: "Mission: Our Reason for Being" by Barbara Cambell and Theressa Hoover; "Official and Unofficial Sources of Information, Interpretation of Women's Division Policy and Program" "Giving: A Biblical and Theological Perspective;" "The 1980 Program Resource Book, "Dimensions of Faith;" The 1980-1981 mission study themes, "Biblical Understanding of Mission to Individuals and Society;" "Latin America" and "The Interior Life." Spiritual growth for 1982; Isaiah 40-66 and for 1983 Hebrews. Mrs. Compton quoted from Mrs. Virginia Laskey's report "God has set no limits on what we may accomplish' it is we who limit Him."

World Federation of Methodist Women: Mrs. Brock reported: The Southern Region meeting of the World Federation of Methodist Women was held in Mobile, Ala., November 17 18, at State Street African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church. Attending from the La. Conference were Mrs. Ward, Mrs. Brock, Mrs. Robert Compton, and Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, who chaired the meeting. Mrs. Bunyon Jacobs of the Christian Episcopal Methodist Church, was a fourth delegate from La. Mrs. Jacobs of Shreveport, will convene the committee meeting in April to plan the Louisiana Satellite Seminar scheduled for November.

Task Group to Strengthen Conference and District Committees on Nomination: The following Guidelines were recommended and approved.

I. Duties and Functions
   A. To provide each member of the Committee a "digest" of the duties and functions of the Committee as stated in the Louisiana Conference Booklet on B-Laws and Standing Rules, giving special emphasis to those parts that are mandatory.
   B. To amend the By-Laws and Standing Rules as follows:
      1. Article Iv, Section 4, p. 15, La. Conf. By-Laws and Standing Rules by providing that:
         a. The Chairperson of the Committee on Nomination be a member in the 2nd or 3rd year of service on the committee. (an addition)
         b. At least four (4) members of the Committee on Nomination shall have served in a district and/or conference office.
      2. Standing Rule #4, under "Other Leadership," p. 28, La. Conf. By-Laws and Standing Rules, by providing that:
         a. A Committee member may not miss more than two (2) consecutive meetings of the Committee without a valid excuse to the chairperson.
         b. An unexcused absence which persists longer than one year shall be considered as a request for replacement.
   C. District Executive Committee study the Conference Standing Rules and District By-Laws relating to District Committee on Nomination in order to adopt appropriate measures where permissive legislation is indicated.

II. Training
   A. To continue training of Conference Committee on Nomination and District Chairpersons at the District Elected Leaders Training.
   B. To provide expenses for attendance and training of the Conference Committee on Nomination at the Conference School of Christian Mission.
   C. To plan a Pilot Orientation Experience for the newly elected Conference Elected Leaders and all members of the Conference Committee on Nomination, to be held within two (2) weeks following the Annual Meeting. The Orientation to be led by the Conference President, Vice-President and Treasurer, who served the previous year.
   D. To provide, at Conference expense, copies of "Effective Leadership in Small Groups," by Nathan W. Turner, $2.50 each, for each member of the Conference Committee on Nomination. Urge the members to study the book prior to the first committee meeting in order to make practical application of the principles discussed in the book to the book to the work of the Committee on Nomination.

III. Talent Bank and Tenure
   A. To establish a Talent Bank and to update it on an annual basis. Records should be kept for a minimum of five (5) years.
   B. To provide two (2) forms:
      1. One form to be filled in by person recommending nominee. (See District Handbook, pp. 28-29.)
      2. One form to be filled in by the nominee.
   C. To make the initial contact with the prospective nominee by letter which will include:
      1. The form as suggested in III, B, 2, above.
      2. The name and address of the committee chairperson.
      3. The date by which response is needed.
      4. The willingness of the prospective nominee to serve now or at a later date.

5. This first contact does **not** constitute a decision to place the person's name in nomination (if she approves).
6. The assurance of a follow-up-communication after the response from nominee is received.
7. To add any other pertinent information.

D. Tenure
1. To urge the members of the Committee on Nomination to study the rules on tenure, their importance and why the rules were established.
2. To establish a Tenure Record System with periodic updating.

IV. Integrity of Committee

A. The Committee on Nomination is accountable to the Executive Committee and does not establish its own policies.

B. The Committee on Nomination should function as a group seeking to develop a spirit of community, practicing confidentiality and arriving at a consensus of opinion before approaching prospective nominees. When more than one person is being considered for a specific office, only one invitation at a time shall be extended.

C. The Committee on Nomination should be sufficiently informed about officers responsibilities to be able to answer questions, provide sources for additional information, using Handbooks and "job descriptions."

D. The Committee on Nomination is encouraged to confer with the Conference or District President regarding the needs of the organization and the special leadership skills needed at a particular time and the procedure for making the report to the Annual Meeting.

Mrs. Dameron offered her services to pull the duties and functions of the Nominating Committee together for the digest.

Task Group for Implementation of Charter on Racial Policies: Reported by E. Mae Calvin, Chairperson. The following recommendations were presented and approved.

#6 from Charter. The distribution of United Nations covenants on Human Rights through District Coordinators of Christian Global Concerns to local unites (by September 1979) Implemented by Conference Coordinator of Christian Global Concerns.

2. #4 from Charter - includes recommendation previously accepted by Conf. Executive Committee: (a) To follow-up emphasis at School of Christian Mission with an on-going emphasis at Conf./District Annual Meetings. (At School of Christian Mission 1979 a special emphasis will be presented to study, understand and appreciate the historical and cultural contributions of the races in the Louisiana Conference. This emphasis will become a part of the total program including worship, music and the various facets of the arts.)

(b). Recommend an on-going em phasis to Conf. Annual Meeting Task Group—to be implemented Mission Coord. of Christian Personhood.

3. #3 from Charter
a—Develop dialogue among all groups
b—Promote leadership development for all ethnic minorities
(1) Encourage Native-American leadership
(2) Re-establishment of Spanish-American unit to be implemented by Chairperson on Membership through Committee on Program.

4. Request the endorsement and support of Charter by Conference Board of Global Ministries, Board of Church and Society, Commission on Religion and Race (Jan. 1979) to be implemented by Mission Coordinator of Christian Social Involvement and Conference President.

5. Promote and Support Events sponsred by Ethnic Minority, Local Church Committee of Annual Conference.

March 1979 - Consultation on Racism (Rev. Nathan Daniels)

Fall 1979 Conference - Wide Program of Lay-Training and Leadership Development in Ethnic Minority Local Church (Rev. George Calvin) to be implemented by Coordinator of Supportive Community.

6. Request permission for additional meeting to plan and evaluate as task group deems necessary.

Film and Slides - Mrs. Hoffpauir showed a film strip and Mrs. Eggerton showed some slides of the 1978 Assembly, held in Louisville, Ky.

Saturday, February 10, 1979

The meeting reconvened at 8:30 a.m. Mrs. Milo gave the opening worship. Mrs. Luther Rone and Mrs. J. A. Stinson were present on Saturday.

Finance Report: Mrs. Hoffpauir gave the following recommendations from the finance committee: They were all approved.

1. The Conference Committee on Membership requests approval to add the nine district Mission Coordinators for Supportive Community to its membership during 1979-80 to strengthen the committee for a planned Membership Emphasis.

2. The Task Group to Strengthen Conference and District Committees on Nomination refers the following recommendations through the Comm. on Finance for funding approval:

A. To continue training of Conference Committee on Nomination and District Chairpersons at the District Elected Leaders Training.

B. To provide expenses for attendance and training of the Conference Committee on Nomination at the Conference School of Christian Mission.

C. To plan a Pilot Orientation Experience for the newly elected Nomination, to be held within two (2) weeks following the Annual Meeting. The Orientation to be led by the Conference President, Vice President, and Treasurer, who served the previous year.

D. To provide, at Conference expense, copies of "Effective Leadership in Small Groups," by Nathan W. Turner, $2.50 each, for each member of the Conference Committee on Nomination. Urge the members to study and use the book at the frist Committee Meeting. In order to make partical application of the principles discussed in the book to the work of the Committee on Nominations.

Recommendations from the Finance Committee:

3. The Annual Meeting Program Committee recommends approval of calling a one-day meeting tentatively scheduled in Bunkie on March 31 of all Conference and District Mission Coordinators to further plans for the Conference Annual Meeting. Rather than involve districts through their district president (as has been the pattern the last few years), the Conference and district Mission Coordinators will work out ways of presenting an expanded view of their emphases as well as resources available. Overall coordinator for this project is Conference Vice President, Helen Brock.

4. The Finance Committee recommends a plan be devised that, beginning in 1980, will make available to each district a Member of the Conference Executive once each year. We suggest that the plan be designed similarly to the Women's Division plan for conferences. It would attempt to provide conference leadership for the on-going program of the District.

The request should be made after a careful planning of goals and programs for the year and should be signed by the District President. The District should make contact directly with the person desired, clearing the date with that person and then indicating this in writing to the Conference President. The Conference would pay travel to and from the place of the district meeting. The District would be responsible for room and board and any extra "in district" travel. No honoraria should be paid conference officers.

5. The Conference President shall be allowed to present a $25.00 Special Membership each year during her report to the Annual Conference. The recipient shall be chosen by the Conference Administrative Committee.

6. In keeping with the policy to pay expenses for those who assume positions of leadership in Louisiana Conference UMW events, the Task Group Retreat Committee and the Committee on Finance recommends that the Registration fee (including room, board, insurance, preparatory booklets, etc.) and travel be paid for the 16 Retreat Task Group members.

Task Group Annual Meeting Program: Mrs. Blakeman, Chairperson asked for money to put on a special program at the Annual Meeting Friday night.

Mrs. Evans moved that the Task Group be allowed up to $2,000. for this special program. Mrs. Brock seconded it. Motion passed.

Expense Guidelines: The following Guidelines for the Conference Executive Committee were recommended and approved.

United Methodist Women recognize the need to be an inclusive group and to have elected leaders who represent a diversity of age, race, economic background, and status of employment. To make this possible, a budget for Conference Administration and Membership Development is approved annually to provide expenses for those chosen to serve in leadership positions. The following guidelines for reimbursement (along with the Conference Budget(seek to expand the concept of what it means to be in mission.

Expense vouchers are available from the conference treasurer and should be filled out **in full** when applying for reimbursement and submitted to the conference president, secretary, or treasurer. Expenses for specific meetings should be turned in at the close of that meeting, if possible, or no later than the next week. Receipts should accompany expense vouchers whenever possible. No reimbursement for more than actual expense incurred shall be made.

Leaders are advised to submit all legitimate expenses for doing their job well. If someone cares to donate supplies or services which normally would be covered under these guidelines, s/he is asked to submit those charges and then endorse the check (or refund part of it) directly to the conference treasurer.

The conference officer is often expected to pay her own room, meal, and travel expenses and then turn that amount in for reimbursement. If this arrangement causes personal hardship, a cash advance to cover expected costs may be requested directly from the conference treasurer.

Every call letter or written announcement of upcoming events requiring "official participating" of conference leaders shall mention further specific plans for financial arrangements not delineated herein (such as whether the individual leaders will pay or sign for meals and lodging).

The following limitations should be noted:

A. TRAVEL EXPENSES

1. **Mileage** shall be reimbursed at a rate of 10 cents a mile. Whenever possible, members from the same district or area should form a carpool—to be cordinated by district presidents.

2. **Lodging** may be reimbursed at a rate up to $10.00 per person per day.
3. **Meals** for any 24-hour period will be reimbursed at a rate of $9.00 per day. Meals for events that last less than one day will be reimbursed at a rate of up to $2.00 for breakfast, $3.50 for lunch, and $3.50 for supper.

B. OFFICER RESOURCES

Materials which are necessary for information and execution of your job (such as Service Center publications) may be purchased and become the property of the Conference organization. Most of this material should be maintained in the files you keep and pass on to successors. Utmost care should be taken that we do not needlessly duplicate materials which cover overlapping concerns of other leaders.

C. OPERATING EXPENSES

Postage, office supplies, mimeographing charges, long-distance telephone charges, and other miscellaneous charges are allowable. The use of professional secretarial services and large numbers of Xerox-type copies are discouraged.

Historian: Mrs. Stinson reported that the Task Group had completed its work at the Archieves at Centenary and Dillard Colleges. Material that needs to go into the Archieves file should go to Mrs. Fern Christensen or Mrs. G. W. Dameron.

Program Committee: Mrs. Brock, Vice President gave the following recommendations from the program committee:

1. We recommend that districts of U.M.W. promote further study of the Law of the Sea and inform Local congregations through the District Organization of U.M.W. and the District Council on Ministries. In addition to study, we recommend endorsement and support of the Law of the Sea, following through with action.

2. We recommend that for the membership emphasis 1979-1980 the Conference Membership Committee be enlarged to include the nine District Mission Coordinators for Supportive Community.

3. We recommend that a Task Group on Child Advocacy be appointed and that the Task Group give special emphasis to the International Year of the Child concern during 1979. Those recommended to the Task Group are: Mary Adele Compton, Chairperson, Johnnye Butler, Erma Green Jackson, Ruth Carter, Marion Eggerton and others to be appointed.

4. We recommend that a Task Group on U.M.W. Image be appointed to give special attention immediately to a display for Annual Conference and for attention later to the upgrading of our image. Those recommended to the Task Group are: Amy Ward, Chairperson, Helen Brock, Johnnye Butler, Gloria Chapman, Margaret Bryan, Janet Hoffpauir, and Nancy Carruth.

5. We recommend that by the time of each Annual Meeting of Conference, beginning 1980, at least ten percent of the members of fifteen Local Units of the Conference U.M.W. will have participated in the Reading Program by reading and discussing four books during the year, one from each category, in addition to the regular reading of **"Response"**. We further recommend that the Units achieving this goal be presented a "Certificate of Recognition" at the Annual Meeting 1980. We also recommend that Secretaries of Program Resources and Mission Coordinators for Christian Personhood jointly promote the Reading Program.

6. We recommend that communications be a major emphasis at District Elected Leaders Training October 26-27, 1979, as a first step in implementing the Conference goal of February 11, 1978 to have a Communications-Interpretation Learning Experience in the fall of 1979.

All recommendations were approved.

Retreat Task Group: Mrs. Brock, Chairperson reported that as of February 8th, 92 persons had signed up for the Retreat. The retreat is to be held March 23-25th at Biloxi, Ms., Seashore Methodist Assembly.

Theme: "Living Personal Commitment"
Leaders: Lois Kohler, Faye Mathews,
Rev. Carole Cotton-Winn, Communion Celebrant
Time of inspiration, reflection (groups), meditation/prayer, community-building. See January **Response** "Retreats perspectives and Understanding"
Newsletter - registration form and map; cost $36.00
Individual retreat at home $2.00.

Committee on Place of Annual Meeting, 1980: Mrs. Bryan, chairperson reported that two districts, New Orleans-Houma and New Orleans-Slidell would host the 1980 Annual Meeting at Dillard University, September 10-20, 1980.

Regional School: Mrs. Bryan, committee member, reported the West Gulf Regional 1979 school would be held June 18-22nd, at SMU in Dallas. A Spring meeting will be March 9-11th to finalize the school.

Task Group on Annual Meeting Program: Mrs. Gardner, chairperson reported the committee had met and great plans were under way. We will be celebrating our 100 years birthday. Mrs. C. Jarrett Gray, President of the Women's Division will be the speaker. The theme is "A Century of Commitment — "Go Ye Therefore."

Conference School of Christian Mission: Mrs. Carruth, Dean, reported the school would be held at Centenary College, July 17-22. A very capable faculty has been secured to lead the studies:

The Parables:	Mrs. Panthea Freeman
Middle East Mosaic:	Mrs. Inez Chrisentery, Mrs. Ed Cobb, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, and Dr. David Flude
Human Rights and the International Order:	Mrs. Nathaniel Perry, Rev. Charles Sapp, Ms. Maryruth Nickels

In addition to these, Mrs. Lois Kohler will also be with us and we have secured Mrs. Russell Phillips from Kansas to coordinate the audio-visual work.

Our schedule will largely follow last year's but we will have a new innovation in place of Elected Leaders' Training. Each conference officer, along with two district officers will lead and challenge small groups of twenty in the **total** program of United Methodist Women. We are calling this "Strengthening the Organization." Our theme this year, is "Dimension of the Kingdom-Biblical and Contemporary" and in implementing the Charter of Racial Policy, our Assistant Dean, Mrs. Chris Hall is coordinating ideas and ways to use our many ethnic and cultural groups found in Louisiana. Mrs. Robert Compton will again develop and present the Resource/Learning Center.

In another stroke of good fortune, we have elected and secured the Dean for the 1980 Confrerence School of Christian Mission. . . Mrs. Truman Ward.

Church Women United: Mrs. Dameron handed out a program announcing the Church Women United State Assembly to be held at Palestine United Methodist Church, Pineville.

Committee on Constitution, By-Laws, and Standing Rules: Mrs. Dameron, chairperson gave the following recommendations and the committee approved them.

I. **Article 11, section 4, Par. 6** (W.D., pg. 7) be amended by substituting the word **district** for **conference** in line 1. The Paragraph wil then read: "send to the **district** treasurer an annual, itemized statement of all funds, including local funds, as approved by the auditing committee of the local church."

II. **Article 11, Section 9, A** (W.D., pg. 29) be amended by deleting the last sentence of the Par., and adding the following new sentence and new Par.,

"The title of an associate treasurer shall be Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation, and her duties shall be limited to financial interpretation and promotion.

When this office is created, a job description shall be written and given to the District Committee on Nominations. (see **Manual for Treasurers** for suggestions, pgs. 36-38). **An Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation shall be a Member of the Executive Committee, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Program.**

III. **Article 11, Section 9, A** (W.D., pg. 47) be amended by deleting the last sentence of the Par. and adding the following new sentence and new Par.:

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Standing Rules: The Committee recommends the following changes:

1. That **Standing Rule No. 3,** under **Funds** (La. Book, pgs. 24-25) be amended by adding a new section "d", to read: **Expenses for meetings of a Task Group shall follow provisions as outlines in a,b,c (above)."**

2. **That Standing Rule No. 1,** under **Other Leadership** (La. Book. pg. 27) be amended by deleting the following phrase in the last sentence: "shall serve for two (2) years and". The sentence will then read: "The Historian shall be a member of the Executive Committee, with vote."

3. That a new Par. be added to **Standing Rule No. 1,** under **Other Leadership** to read: **A Committee on History, composed of the Historian and two other persons may be appointed, by the president as needed.**

4. That **Standing Rule, No. 2,** under **Other Leadership** be deleted, and the following new Rule No. 2 substituted: **"After evaluating the financial needs of the conference organization, the Committee on Finance may recommend the creation of the office of associate treasurer. An associate treasurer shall be called Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation, and her duties shall be limited to financial promotion and interpretation. A job description shall be written and given to the Committee on Nominations."**

5. That a new **Standing Rule No. 5,** under **Other Leadership** be added to read: **"The Chairperson of the Conference Commission on Status and Role of Women shall be invited to become a member of the Executive Committee on United Methodist Women, with vote, if she is not already a member."**

Status and Role of Women: Mrs. Palazzo reported on the Regional Training Event held in Denver, Colo., February 2-4th.

Mrs. Ward, Conference UMW President, Mrs. Palazzo, Cosrow, and John and Carole Cotton Winn resource persons attended from Louisiana. Mrs. Palazzo closed with this statement: "If you believe it, you do it."

Olympic Banner Project: Mrs. Ward read a letter from Maddy Miller, Troy Conference asking if Louisiana Conference would like to make a banner to be displayed at the 1980 Olympic. The theme is, "Body, mind, and spirit in relation to our Creator God." It was recommended that this information be put in the April Conference Newsletter.

April Newsletter: Articles that will be featured in the April newsletter are:
School of Christian Mission, a historian article and a preview of the Annual Meeting.

National Seminar: The following persons were elected as representatives to the National Seminar, August 17-24th, 1979, in Lincoln, Neb.

Conference Officer:	Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir
	Mrs. Wayne Bryan, Alternate
District Officer:	Lueburde Myers
	Ardessie Prophet, Alternate
Local Member:	Melannie Scott-Welch
	Jean Haskell, 1st Alternate
	Marty Cain, 2nd Alternate
	Brenda Canty, 3rd Alternate

Goal Setting: Mrs. Compton and Mrs. Eggerton led the goal setting. The Executive Committee was divided up into 7 groups. Each group discussed their goal and reported on their suggestions as how the goal could be reached. The 7 goals are:

*I. To emphasize communication through Conference and District experience by having:
(1) A Communication-Interpretation Learning Experience at District Elected Leaders Training (DELT) 1979.
(2) District Workshops with the same emphasis in 1980.

Suggestions from the group: The word of "communication" is vague. What is it trying to say? Who's communicating what? What does real communication involve? When does real communication start? Perhaps this is why we need this experience.

Strategy: Conference Event
(1) Involve persons who are qualified resource persons within and without the conference—on planning and/or at DELT.
Use our Regional Women's Division staff Lois Kohler to help structure and lead the event.
Also in Nashville at the UMC Office of Communications are good resource persons—Diane Bowden and Tom Nankervis.
(2) Assign preparatory activities.
1. A good book on communication.
2. A District Profile as it relates to communication.
(3) Begin early Communication with the participants—mentioning what they can expect and what will be expected of them.
(4) Perhaps bring in a few extra participants from within the conference who are not District Officers but who would have expertise in areas of communication. This would prepare those persons for being leaders resource persons for the following district events.

*II. To have in implementation by December 31, 1980 a membership plan emphasizing the the United Methodist Women organization as a caring and supportive community interacting at all levels.

Implementation:
1) Survey geared to local level dealing with problems found there, giving them guidelines in how to use the results to help their unit. Turn these surveys into district supportive community and membership chairperson who will form cluster groups with a program geared to help them solve those problems.

2) District Elected Leader's Training could be used to help train women in specific skills of programing and survey reading.

III. By December 31, 1979 to have communicated the PURPOSE and true image of the United Methodist Women organization, including financial responsibilities, to the total Church at Conference, District, and Local levels.

Suggestions:

To Pastor:

1) Meeting of task group
2) Visual display at Annual Conference
3) Presentation at Pastor's School
4) Newsletter
5) Team of District and Conference officers to District Council on Ministries and District Pastor's meeting.

To Member:

1) District Elected Leader's Training - communicate image
2) School of Christian Mission - scholarships
3) Scholarship to Annual Meeting
4) District team visitation to each local unit and church without units.

Men and Non-members:

1) Visit non-members in church
2) Presentation (demonstrate) of purpose to local church service.

IV. To have fifteen (15) Local Units with at least ten percent (10%) of their members participating in the Reading Program by Annual Meeting 1980.

Strategies:

1. Recognition for performance—accomplishment of goal for units (a certificate) and for individuals (book mark).
2. Timeline - To be announced in mid July of 1979 at the School of Mission as the beginning time. Results to be reported in mid July of 1980 at the School of Mission.
3. Selection from the 4 emphases of the Reading Program be made available for purchase in the Program Resources Booth at the 1979 School of Mission and 1979 Annual Meeting.
4. Promotion by brochure prepared by Conference Coordinator of Christian Personhood and Conference Secretary of Program Resources to be included in the packets given as School of Christian Mission and provided to each District Coordinator of Christian Personhood and Secretary of Program Resources.
5. Process for turning in info/results will be coordinator of Christian Personhood and/or Secretary of Program Resources from Unit to district to conference where it will be compiled.
6. Suggested promotion through District Annual Meetings.
7. Evaluation through questionnaire. Review and update, compare from previous year, publish results.
8. Resource Persons to assist and consult:

Mary Adele Compton	Women's Division Board
La. Conference Readers	
Faye Matthews	Women's Division Board
Bernadette Sanders	Women's Division Board
Mary Lou VanBuren	Women's Division Board

V. To begin Implementation of the Charter for Racial Justice Policies through the total Church in 1979.

Implementation:

See Page 3, Task Group for Implementation of Charter on Racial Policies.

VI. To establish by December 1979 specific procedures for continuing participation in the emphasis on Child Advocacy being initiated by International Year of the Child (IYC), 1979.

Suggestions:

1. Study information brought back from the IYC Seminar by Mrs. T. J. Butler, Conference Coordinator of Christian Social Involvement.
2. Contact all who have further information on child advocacy:
   Ask for **NEEDS.**
   a. Marian W. Edeleman - Children's Defense Fund
   b. Dr. Jimmy Stoval - La. Committee IYC
   c. Ruth Gilbert - Women's Division
   d. Children's Council of New Orleans
   e. Methodist Institutions serving children in Louisiana
   f. Persons involved in 1976 Child Advocacy study
   g. Church Women United.
3. Educate members and public through—
   a. Slide Program - to be made by Task Group
   b. Distribution of literature
   c. Speaker at Annual Meeting, 1979.
4. **Action** through legislative support, volunteer services to agencies concerned with children, direct concern and action in behalf of specific individual children.

VII. To promote the Law of the Sea by study, endorsement, and action, through 1980, using the following channels and resources:

(1) District Presidents work in District Council on Ministries and District organization of United Methodist Women.

(2) Printed materials, audio-visuals, and trained resource persons.

Suggestions:

Knowing that we have 6 qualified people in the state and a list of audio-visual resources we recommend the following procedure:

An awareness program in the spring in each local—(this might include distributing resource list in bulletins, pamphlets, 3 minute pulpit talks, and general promotion of the reading of specific materials.)

We suggest that in the fall we have cluster meetings, or local churches family nights or possibly neighborhood churches get together and have resource persons to speak or show filmstrips. We suggest using name tags in pattern of a fish or other sea creature for these cluster meetings or neighborhood church get togethers.

*The Conference Executive Committee voted Goals I and II as top priorities.

Closing experience: was led by Milo. Mrs. Milo asked that we make a deeper commitment, "Live for something" "Pencil in your lives."

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Examining committee:

Mrs. Wayne Bryan
Mrs. Robert H. Brupbacher, Jr.

Mrs. Louie Chrisman, Secretary

Mrs. Truman Ward, President

Approved: July 16, 1979

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Executive Committee Meeting
Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana

July 16, 1979

The Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women Executive Committee met in the South Dining Hall of Centenary College, Shreveport, Louisiana on Monday, July 16, 1979, at 3:00 p.m.

Mrs. Truman Ward, President called the meeting to order. Mrs. Cecil Read, Ruston District President gave the opening worship.

Members present were: Mesdames Walter Brock, John Blackman, Gail Rountree, J. O. Young, Helen Owen, T. J. Butler, Sr., Charles Beard, James Burris, Glenn Kelley, Wayne Bryan, David Mielke, Richard Hoffpauir, Chris Hall, Warren Blakeman, Sidney Evans, Jr., Sadie Williams, Cecil Read, G. W. Dameron, Wiley B. Gardner, A. J. Palazzo, Robert H. Brupbacher, Jr., Ardessie C. Prophet, Harvey L. Carter, Louie Chrisman, Edward T. Carruth, Howard Milo, Carlyle Chapman and Mary Searles.

Mrs. Ward complimented Mrs. Milo for receiving her Master's Degree. Kathleen Thom is having back trouble and Lillian Soileau is having surgery. Ruth Carter is in a nursing home in Houston.

Examining Committee: Mrs. Brupbacher and Mrs. Evans were appointed to examine the minutes.

Correspondence was read by Mrs. Chrisman.

Minutes of the Mid-Year Executive Committee were approved, with the corrections, page 5, paragraph number 4 under Program Committee add **Nancy Carruth.** On page 7 under Olympic Banner Project change 1979 to **1980.**

Regional School of Christian Mission
Mrs. Ward thanked Mrs. Bryan for an outstanding job at the West Gulf Regional School of Christian Missions held in Dallas. Mrs. Bryan will be in charge of registration in the 1980 School, to be held in Lincoln, Neb.

Mrs. Bryan thanked the committee for the privilege of representing the Louisiana Conference at the Regional School of Mission Planning Team.

Treasurer's Report - Mrs. Hoffpauir reported that fifty-two percent of our pledge had been paid in the first half of the year.

Finance Committee Report - Recommendations Were:

The Annual Meeting Offering go to the Women's Division Special Emphasis: Medical Care for Retired Missionaries and Deaconesses. Passed.

That there be no associate treasurer for 1980. Passed.

Expense Guidelines for out-of-state travel be reimbursed at the rate of 13 cents a mile and that the meal allowance be increased to an amount up to $10 a day (to be divided between meals as wished.) Retroactive approval will be requested to include 1979 Regional School. Passed.

Mileage required for instate meetings shall be increased to 13 cents per mile. Passed.

Revise the guidelines for the retiring officers. Passed. Mrs. Ward appointed: Mrs. Brock, Mrs. Dameron, Mrs. Butler, and Mrs. Hoffpauir to the committee.

The finance committee suggested the following: That the District and Conference study the Assembly scholarship winners and other attendants to see if there was a pattern of increased involvement. The assembly funds vary widely by amount saved yearly in the various districts.

In remembrance cards—a new design is coming out due to the present card being too small for postal approval.

The "Proposed 1980 Budget" was approved.

PROPOSED 1980 BUDGET

I. Mission to Others: Pledge to Missions	$171,000
II. Mission to Ourselves: Administration & Membership Development	
A. **Travel Expenses** (mileage, room, board, insurance to Executive Committee Events within our Conference	$ 7,600
B. **Officer Resources** (Service Center, etc.)	100
C. **District Administration & Membership Development**	8,550
D. **Jurisdiction Administration & Membership Development**	855
E. **Schools of Christian Mission**	
1. Regional	2,200
2. Conference	1,500
F. **Programs and Events within our conference**	
1. Annual Meeting	900
2. District Elected Leadership Training	350
3. Church Related Meetings	200
4. Conference Workshop	1,800
G. **Attendance at Regional & National Events**	
1. Assembly, 1982 (cumulative 4 years)	30
2. Jurisdiction Meeting, 1980 (cumulative 4 years)	700
3. Triennial CWU Assembly, 1980 cumulative 3 years)	350
4. National Seminar, 1984 (cumulative 4 years)	250
5. Other special meetings	800
H. **Operating Expenses**	
1. Conference Directory	1,400
2. Newsletter	2,000
3. Postage	600
4. Office Supplies & Mimeographing	500
5. Telephone	700
6. Audit	500
7. Bonding	75
8. Miscellaneous	400
I. Louisiana Church Women United	140
J. Unanticipated Opportunities	1,000
Total A & MD Budget	$ 33,500
TOTAL CONFERENCE BUDGET	$204,500

Vice President's report - Mrs. Brock gave the progress on the seven goals adopted by the Conference Executive Committee on February 10, 1979:

1. **Emphasize communication** - Janet Hoffpauir reported District Elected Leadership Training will be held Nov. 2-3, 1979, at Pineville First United Methodist Church, with special leadership by Lois Kohler and Carolyn Pitts. Communication and interpretation will be special emphases. It is hoped groundwork can be laid at DELT for Districts to have workshops in 1980.

2. **Membership Plan** - Mary Lou Blakeman reported a meeting of the expanded Conference Membership Committee (Membership Chps. and M.C.'s for Supportive Community(was held in Bunkie, April 7, 1979, chaired by Mary Lou and Jessie Chastain. A two-part plan was adopted: (1) **to implement the 1979-80 goal** ("to have 100% of our units having membership chairpersons.") by having a display/attention center at School and Annual Meeting, making a presentation at Annual Meetings of Conference and Districts "Share Your Umbrella", using the winter "Newsletter" for membership emphasis and survey, and presenting all units with membership chairperson a certificate at Annual Meeting 1980; and (2) **to continue emphasis into 1980-81** by using these chairpersons in a united program of membership expansion, which has as its basis, the caring of people.

3. **U.M.W. IMAGE** - Amy Ward announced meeting of that Task Group, March 1, 1979, when plans were made for a presentation at Annual Conference and for later means of implementation. Amy presented Bishop Shamblin a special membership pin (and certificate) at Annual Conference. A display was set up, depicting UMW work through finance, program resources, International Year of the Child, and other concerns, our PURPOSE, etc. and Conference Newsletters and free materials were distributed. It is felt that the Newsletter has been helpful in improving our image. The presentation at Annual Conference was "a good start", and now other ideas of implementation are in order, such as Conference/District Officers giving a mini speech at District Council on Ministries meetings, Scholarship for Annual Meeting, Women's Day in Local Churches, etc. **It was recommended by the Program Committee that this Task Group meet again and continue to function: this was voted and approved by the Executive Committee.**

4. **READING PROGRAM** - Audrey Milo and Gloria Chapman, chairpersons, reported the brochure for the Reading Program will be distributed at the Annual Meeting 1979, at which time each Local Unit will receive a brochure and be encouraged to undertake a reading program. Local Units qualifying for certification will be recognized with certificates at the 1980 Conference Annual Meeting. A questionnaire will be sent out in December, 1979.

5. **CHARTER IMPLEMENTATION** — E. Mae Calvin reported meeting of the Task Group November 4, 1978. The six recommendations made to the Conference Executive Committee at Feb. Mid-Year Meeting were being implemented: "U.N. Covenant on Human Rights" and the birthday cake were being circulated; Cultural Heritage Emphasis would be a feature of the 1979 School, Annual Meetings of Conference and Districts; the "Charter" was presented to Conference Board of Global Ministries and Board of Church and Society and also Conference Committee on Religion and Race. It was reported the March 1979 Consultation on Racism was poorly promoted and not well attended.

   Fran Hall, Chairperson of **Cultural Heritage Emphasis** Task Group, reported meeting held March 1, when plans were made to implement this Emphasis at 1979 School, pointing up French, Spanish, Native American, and Black cultures through means of displays, prayer, music, costume, fun-night, art, etc. Emphasis will be continued at Conference/District Annual Meetings.

6. **Child Advocacy** - Johnnye Butler (chairing International Year of the Child) reported in absence of Mary Adele Compton, Chairperson. A meeting was held May 4, 1979. This goal

is being initiated and focused on IYC, especially since this is "The Year of the Child". A display was made at the Annual Conference. Plans for emphasizing IYC at the School included posters first-timer favors, IYC emblems, and lollipops at fun-night. A special presentation on IYC will be feature at Annual Meeting. The 1980 January Newsletter will carry suggestions for Local Units.

7. **Law of the Sea** - Margaret Bryan and Amy Ward feel this goal needs one big, final push with a communication going to District Presidents reminding them of the goal and suggested resource persons and materials.

Mrs. Brock reported on the four events:

1. **Conference Retreat** - Helen Brock, Task Group Chairperson, reported 149 women attended the retreat at Biloxi Seashore Methodist Assembly March 23-25, 1979. Lois Kohler and Faye Matthews were the leaders and Rev. Carole Cotton-Winn the communion celebrant. 33 women participated through "at-home-retreat". 129 Evaluations rated the retreat very high, revealed major weaknesses as "more quiet time, more personal time, quality of food, too little time for study, needed a nurse", and recorded major strengths as "planning, reflection time, speakers, programming, variety, the location, gathered silence, and openness".

   The Committee on Program recommended that another Conference Retreat be held in 1983, taking into consideration time should be left for other major events during the quadrennium and that the Assembly would be held in 1982. **The Conference Executive Committee voted to hold another Conference Retreat in 1981.**

2. **Conference Annual Meeting** - Mary Ellen Gardner, Chairperson of Annual Meeting Program, reported the 100th Anniversary would be celebrated at Shreveport First UMC on September 21-22, 1979. Mai Gray, Division President, will be the featured guest and speaker. Friday evening will be devoted to a drama, being prepared by Mary Lou Blakeman, and Centenary Choir will be the performing music group. Recognition of past Presidents at various levels will be featured also. A historical booklet is being prepared for the meeting and will be sold for a nominal sum. On Friday afternoon there will be a "Mission Festival" and a "Hotline" presentation of questions and answers, along with an IYC presentation. Mai Gray will be the main participant in the "Hotline", with Marien Eggerton coordinating the presentation. Johnnye Butler will give the IYC emphasis. "Mission Festival" is being coordinated by Helen Brock and the Conference Mission Coordinators, assisted by District Coordinators. Mary Lou Blakeman will present a Membership plan.

   Betty Blackman will chair the Task Group on 1980 Annual Meeting Program.

3. **World Federation of Methodist Women State Satellite Seminar** - Helen Brock, announced plans were underway, under the chairperson Verna Jacobs of CME, Shreveport, to hold the Seminar in Alexandria at Trinity UMC, November 17, 1979. The Conference Executive Committee should promote and support that ecumenical effort.

4. **District Annual Meetings** - Helen Brock urged Executive Committee Members to offer assistance to District Committees on Program for planning District Annual Meetings as creatively as possible.

   The announcement was made that the Conference Committee on Program would hold its annual meeting January 12, 1980. Place will be announced later.

Conference and District Coordinators - Mrs. Milo made the motion that a meeting of all the Conference and District Coordinators be held annually, approximately 5 months after

District Elected Leadership Training; That this meeting be coordinated and chaired by the Conference Vice-President; That the agenda deal with specific methods of goals assigned to the 4 mission coordinators for implementation and other conference assignments that will strengthen the organization, providing the mission Festival does not become an annual assignment. This is to be a pilot project, and to be evaluated at the end of the year. Mrs. Carter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

A motion was made to amend the above motion to include the District Vice-Presidents. Motion carried.

Secretary of Program Resources - Mrs. Chapman thanked the group for its support in her office. She had the books for the studies in the literature room plus other literature. A special recognition will be given in 1980 to encourage the ladies to take part in the reading program.

School of Christian Mission - Mrs. Carruth suggested the offering be sent to "Ministeries for Children" National or World since this is the International Child of the Year.

Mrs. Blakeman made the motion that the offering be sent to Red Bird Mission. Motion carried.

Committee on Nominations - Sadie Williams report the following slate of officers:

President (2 year term)..... Mrs. Richard (Janet) Hoffpauir
922 Main Street, Franklin, LA 70538

Secretary (2 year term)..... Mrs. Chris (Fran) Hall
1641 Avondale Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808

Treasurer (1 year term)..... Mrs. Leo (Shirley) Hoffpauir
Route 8, Box 1549, Lake Charles, LA 70605

Mission Coordinator:
Christian Global Concern (2 year term)..... Mrs. Wayne (Margaret) Bryan
Route 2, Box 250-D, Shreveport, LA 71129

Secretary/Program Resources (2 year term)..... Mrs. Carlyle (Gloria) Chapman
2425 79th Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70807

Chairperson:
Committee on Membership (2 year term)..... Mrs. Warren (Mary Lou) Blakeman
3561 Rue Mignon, New Orleans, LA 70114

Chairperson:
Committee on Nominations (1 year term)..... Mrs. Luther (Christine) Rone
2004 Andrews Street, Alexandria, LA 71301

Member committee on Nominations (3 year term)..... Mrs. Hugo (Mattie) Watson
Route 5, Box 489, Bastrop, LA 71220

(3 year term)..... Mrs. J. A. McCarstle
252 Ponderosa Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70815

(3 year term)..... Mrs. W. J. (Vera) Packer
P. O. Box 851, Slidell, LA 70459

The new treasurer will take office immediately.

Committee on Constitutions, Bylaws and Standing Rules - Mrs. Dameron gave the following recommendations: All the recommendations were approved.

Article IV, Section 1 (La. Booklet, pg. 13. See W.D., pgs 47 & 49)

Insert the words **Chairperson of the Committee on Membership** after the words "secretary of program resources".

Article IV, Section 4 (La. Booklet, pg. 15)

1. Delete the phrase, beginning with the words "who shall be elected" and closing with the words, "The conference organization and" and substitute the following: **Each of the nine districts shall have one representative on the committee, which** shall, insofar as possible.....

2. In the last sentence of the Section, change the number "three (3) to **four (4)**.

3. Add the following sentence to the paragraph: **The chairperson shall be a member serving her second or third year on the committee.**

The entire Section 4 will then read:

There shall be a COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

The committee shall be composed of nine (9) persons, including the chairperson. **Each of the nine (9) districts shall have one representative on the committee, which** shall, insofar as possible, be representative of the membership of the conference in matters of employment, age, racial and ethnic backgrounds. No member of the committee shall hold any other office in the organization beyond the local unit, but at least **four (4)** members of the committee shall have served in a district and/or conference office. **The chairperson shall be a member serving her second or third year on the committee.**

Article V, Section 2, A, 1 (La. Booklet, pg. 18)

Insert the words, **including the chairperson,** after the words "nine (9) persons".

The sentence will then read: The committee shall be composed of nine (9) persons, **including the chairperson,** and shall be elected by the conference organization.

Standing Rules - Conference Organization

1. **S.R. #1, Section on Annual Meeting** (La. Booklet, pg. 26)

Delete the words "instructions for their use" and substitute the words, **the list of nominees for elected leadership in the conference organization.**

The S.R. will then read: Thirty (30) days before the annual meeting of the conference organization, the secretary shall send to each local unit president delegate-registration cards for the meeting and **the list of nominees for elected leadership in the conference organization.**

2. **S.R. #4, under the Section on Other Leadership,** (la. Booklet, pg. 28)

was amended at the mid-year executive committee meeting as follows: persons elected to the Committee on Nominations shall attend all opportunities offered them for increasing their knowledge of the work of the committee. Committee members shall attend all meetings of the committee **and shall not miss more than two (2) consecutive meetings without a valid excuse to the chairperson. Unexcused absences which persist longer than one (1) year shall be considered as requests for replacement.**

The Committee moves that the amendment approved at the mid-year meeting be rescinded, and the following amendment substituted: **A committee member missing two committee meetings in a year and not having been excused by the chairperson shall no longer be considered a member of the Committee on Nominations.**

The standing Rule will then read:
Persons elected to the Committee on Nominations shall attend all opportunities offered them for increasing their knowledge of the work of the committee. Committee members shall attend all meetings of the committee. **A committee member missing two committee meetings in a year and not having been excused by the chairperson shall no longer be considered a member of the Committee on Nominations.**

3. **Add a new Standing Rule #6, under the section on Other Leadership** (La. Booklet, pg. 28), as follows:

There shall be an Editor-Public Relations Coordinator, to be appointed on a two-year basis, by the president and confirmed by the executive Committee. She shall be a member of the executive committee with vote. The duties of the Editor-Public Relations Coordinator shall be to:

a. **Edit the conference paper in consultation with the president and/or a task group.**
b. **Serve as liaison person with the printer and be responsible for having the paper mailed to all designated persons.**
c. **Serve as public relations officer and provide publicity for conference activities of United Methodist Women.**
d. **Attend meetings of the executive committee and meetings of the conference organization.**

Note: The following Guidelines to implement the work of the Editor-Public Relations Coordinator were approved by the executive committee, but are not a part of the Standing Rules.

Guidelines

1. The bulk mailing permit must be secured in the town/city from which the paper is to be mailed.
2. The District Secretaries should be responsible for:
   a. Correct names and addresses of all local elected leaders, the district executive committee, and other designated persons within the district.
   b. Address labels, which should be sent separately for each issue of the paper.
3. The Conference Secretary should be responsible for providing labels for pastors, members of the conference executive committee (except district presidents and treasurers), members of the Women's Division and the Jurisdiction Organization, and any other included in the mailings.
4. District and Conference Secretaries should avoid duplications of labels for persons within the areas of their responsibilities.

4. Standing Rule, under the Section on Special Mission Recognition, Gifts, Memorials (La. Booklet, pg. 28)

Amend this Standing Rule by rewording as follows:

When women from the Louisiana Conference are consecrated in the Diaconal Ministry, or are ordained elders in the Annual Conference, they shall be honored with a twenty-five ($25.00) gift to missions through the Special Mission Recognition Plan of United Methodist Women.

District Bylaws

Article IV, Section 1 (W.D. Constitution and Standing Rules, pg. 31)

Insert the words **Chairperson of the Committee on Membership after the** words "secretary of program resources".

District Standing Rules

S.R. #1 (La. Booklet, pg. 8)

Delete the words "Instructions for their use" and substitute the following words: and **the list of nominees for elected leadership in the district organization.**

The S.R. will then read: Thirty days before the annual Meeting of the district organization, the secretary of the district shall send to each local unit president delegate-registration cards **and the list of nominees for elected leadership in the district organization.**

Mrs. Dameron stated the packet for "Strengthening the District/Conference be given to the committee at the Annual Meeting. The packet for the District nominating committee will be given to the committee at the District Elected Leadership Training.

Mrs. Ward announced that several staff positions in the Women's Division will be opening up this next year. If any one is interested please let her know.

Mrs. Ward thanked the District Presidents for the evaluation reports.

Mrs. Ward needs four or five slides of the work of the Conference to send to the Jurdiction.

Mrs. Ward announced the following dates:

	District Elected Leadership Training	Nov. 2-3
	School of Christian Mission Committee 1980	Nov. 27th
	Nomination Chairperson Training	Nov. 16-18th
	New Officer Training	Nov. 29, Dec. 2nd
	Dean and Assistant Dean Training	Sept. 28-29
1980	Program Committee	Jan. 12, 1980
	Task Group Annual Meeting Program	Jan. 19th
	Mid-Year Executive Meeting	Feb.
	Jurdiction	Mar. 28-30
	Women Division Meeting	Mar. 14-17
	CWU Shreveport	Mar. 13-14
	School of Missions Regional	June 15-20
	School of Missions Conference	July 22-27
1982	Assembly - Philadelphia, Pa.	April 29 - May 2

Mrs. Blakeman suggested that a letter be written to the Women's Division expressing our thanks and appreciation for getting the information our so quickly after their meeting. Everyone agreed and Mrs. Ward asked the secretary to write the letter.

Delegates to Jurisdiction Conference - The following names were elected:

Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir
Mrs. Wayne Bryan
Mrs. Carlyle Chapman
Alternate - Mrs. Leo Hoffpauir

Mrs. Walter Brock
Mrs. T. J. Butler, Sr.
Mrs. Warren Blakeman
Alternate - Mrs. Chris Hall

Election of Nominees to Women's Division - The following names were elected:

Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas
Mrs. Harvey L. Carter
Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner
Reserve - Mrs. Wayne Bryan

Mrs. Blackman gave the closing worship.

Meeting adjourned at 10:50. A mad dash to the dorm before getting locked out at 11:oo p.m.

Examiners:
Mrs. Evans
Mrs. Brupbacher
Approved September 21, 1979

Mrs. Louie Chrisman, Secretary

Mrs. Truman Ward, President

Wednesday, July 18, 1979

Called meeting of the Executive Committee

Mrs. Ward called the meeting to order. Twenty four members present.

Mrs. Brock announced that Mrs. John Blackman would chair the 1980 Annual Meeting Program Committee.

Committee for the Guidelines for retiring officers - Mrs. Dameron reporting - A motion could not be agreed upon. After much discussion it was agreed by everyone to leave it as it is for this year.

Mrs. Brock moved to raise the special membership pin given to members of the nomination committee to $50.00. Motion passed.

Mrs. Hoffpauir made a motion not to recognize anyone moving from one office to another with a membership pin. Motion passed.

Mrs. Blackman moved we adjourned.

Meeting adjourned.

Examiners:
Mrs. Evans
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Approved September 21, 1979

Mrs. Louie Chrisman, Secretary

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LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Executive Committee Meeting
First United Methodist Church - Shreveport, La.
September 21, 1979

The Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women Executive Committee met at the First United Methodist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana on Friday, September 21, 1979 at 9:00 a.m.

Mrs. Truman Ward, President, called the meeting to order. Lois Kohler, Regional Staff member, gave the opening prayer.

Members present were: Mesdames Ardessie C. Prophet, Cecil Read, George Chastain, Howard Milo, Sidney Evans, Glenn Laskey, C. Jarrett Gray, Sr., Warren Blakeman, Lois Kohler, G. W. Dameron, Robert Eggerton, Edward Carruth, Wayne Bryan, Walter Brock, John Blackman, George Heard, Helen Owen, Kathleen Thom, Gail H. Rountree, Robert Brupbacher, Glenn Kelley, Louie Chrisman, J. O. Young, Richard Hoffpauir, Sadie Williams, Wiley Gardner, A. J. Palazzo, J. A. Stinson, T. J. Butler, and Mary Searles.

Minutes of the Executive committee meeting held July 16 and 18, 1979 were approved.

Correspondence was read.

Dr. and Mrs. D. L. Dykes hosted the Thursday evening executive committee dinner in their home at 623 Oakhill Drive, Shreveport, La. 71106. A basket of flowers was given to each one by the Shreveport District Officers.

Appointments: Mrs. Ward appointed Mrs. Stinson and Mrs. Carruth to examine the minutes, Mrs. Dameron as Parliamentary Advisor for the Annual Meeting, and Mrs. Palazzo as chairperson of election.

Finance: Mrs. Hoffpauir made a motion that the printing of the Heritage Candle book be taken from money sent in for the Heritage Candle. Motion passed.

Mrs. Hoffpauir stated that the Lake Charles District had asked for $100.00 for their 1979 budget to itinerate their district. Mrs. Hoffpauir moved that the conference give Lake Charles District the money. Motion carried.

The finance committee recommended the offering from the Annual Meeting go to the "Medical Care for Retired Missionaries and Deaconesses, and in honor of Deaconesses and Missionaries and other workers associated with the Louisiana Conference. Passed.

Committee on Program: Mrs. Brock gave the following report: "I would like simply to call your attention to the report of our Committee in the July 16, 1979 minutes, Executive Committee meeting pages 2, 3, and 4.

Of the seven goals adopted by the Conference Committee on February 10, two were chosen as top priorities:

1. Emphasize communication through Conference and District experience by having:
   (1) A Communication-Interpretation Learning Experience at District Elected Leaders Training (DELT) 1979.
   (2) District Workshops with the same emphasis in 1980.

2. Have in implementation by December 31, 1980 a membership plan emphasizing the United Methodist Women organization as a caring and supportive community interacting at all levels.

Both of these goals are being implemented very well, with Janet Hoffpauir and Estelle Dameron giving excellent leadership to plans for the District Elected Leaders Training scheduled for November 2-3 at Pineville First United Methodist Church and with Mary Lou Blakeman giving good leadership in our membership plan, which she initiated at School of Christian Mission in July and which she continues at this Annual Meeting with the membership emphasis presentation "Share Your Umbrella".

The five other goals are progressing well too, and on behalf of the Committee on Program I would like to urge each member of this Executive Committee to keep these goals before you in your line of work and promote and support them every way possible.

I would like to thank those who are chairing Task Groups and giving top leadership to the total program of our Conference. I know all of you want to join me in thanking Mary Ellen Gardner for the excellent and diligent attention she has given to chairing our Task Group on Annual Meeting Program. This has been a unique year for planning the Annual Meeting and it has required special attention in many ways, and Mary Ellen and her Committee have done a superb job! We look forward now to participating in the celebration of our hundred years in mission as a women's organization.

The theme of our meeting presents a real challenge for our Committee on Program as we move on from this year to next year and try to plan effectively for the beginning of a second century in mission."

Mrs. Brock announced that the **"State Satellite Seminar of the World Federation of Methodist Women** will be held at the Trinity United Methodist Church, 204 Chester Street, Alexandria, La., November 17, 1979 from 9:30 to 3:00.

Annual Meeting: Mrs. Gardner gave the committee last minute instructions for the Annual Meeting. The committee thanked Mrs. Gardner for all the work that had gone into this Annual Meeting.

Child Advocacy Task Group: Mrs. Eggerton reported that there were brochures on "Child Advocacy" at the display in the Mission Festival.

Conference School of Christian Mission: Mrs. Carruth, Dean reported a very outstanding school with very capable teachers. There was an attendance of 350. There were 228 women for the week-day and 102 women for the week-end school. The offering of $467.00 was sent to the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky.

National Seminar: Mrs. Hoffpauir reported that Lueburde Myers and Melannie Scott-Welch attended the seminar with her in Lincoln, Neb. The Women's Division presented issues to the delegates to get their ideas and feelings on them.

Mrs. Hoffpauir stated that we need to think deeper on the Racial Charter. A new phrase "People of color" was used. Many more eye openers were discussed. A detailed report will be given at a later date.

Women's Division Meeting: Mrs. Hoffpauir was elected representative to be a guest of the Women's Division meeting being held in Philadelphia on October 12-15, 1979. The reason for this invitation is: "It is important to restate that the intent of this is to provide an additional opportunity of learning to the conferences.

Annual Report/Directory: Mrs. Chrisman reported on the estimates received for printing the **Annual Report/Directory.** A motion was made that the committee decide the contents of the book and $2.00 be asked for each book to help supplement the cost of printing. Motion passed.

Women's Division - Nominees: Mrs. Blackman made the motion that the Conference pay Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas and Mrs. Harvey L. Carter's transportation to the jurisdiction meeting in El Paso, March 1980. Mrs. Wiley Gardner's transportation is to be paid by the Jurisdiction.

Committee on Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules: Mrs. Dameron gave the following recommendation. Recommendation was approved.

Standing Rules under Special Mission Recognition, Gifts, and Memorials (La., pg. 29)

Add a new **Standing Rule #3** to read as follows:

Each year, the president may select, in consultation with the Administrative Committee, a person to be the recipient of a $25.00 gift to missions through the Special Recognition Plan, the presentation to be made at the meeting of the Annual Conference.

Closing prayer was given by Mrs. Glenn Laskey.

Examiners:
Mrs. Edward Carruth
Mrs. J. A. Stinson

Mrs. Louie Chrisman, Secretary

Approved_____

Mrs. Truman Ward, President

JOURNAL OF THE SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING
of the United Methodist Women
Louisiana Conference
Shreveport, Louisiana
September 21 - 22, 1979
"100th Anniversary Celebration"

The Sixth Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women was covened at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary of the First United Methodist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana, with President, Mrs. Truman Ward, presiding.

The Banner Processional, composed of women attired in dresses representing various periods of the past 100 years, moved down the aisles of the sanctuary and remained momentarily before the assembly. The banners, which were made by the districts, depicted the many different names of the organizations by which Methodist Women have been known. Afterward, the banners were placed around the sanctuary.

Worship Meditation: The worship leaders were Rev. Marie Palmer Williams and Rev. Carol Susan Winn. The following proclamation of Purpose was repeated together:

> 'We are here to celebrate the Heritage we share as United Methodist Women. A Heritage that has its beginnings deep in the past with the women who have gone before us. We celebrate their vision and commitment, born 100 years ago. That marked a new day for the involvement of women in the ministry of the church. We acknowledge this day to be a turning point and a new beginning for our commitment and presence in Christian Ministry. And together we search for a new vision and a fresh understanding of our shared purpose, our common goals, and our calling forward into God's future. Amen!"

The Heritage Candle was lit in memory and honor of over 6600 women for outstanding service. Money received was $6,636. All the names of the women being honored were printed in a booklet. The candle was to burn one minute for each dollar sent in. Mrs. G. W. Dameron led the assembly in prayer. A great feeling of thankfulness for those women being honored was felt by the women present.

"At the End of One Hundred Years" Mrs. Ward, President

To be alive in such an age—
To live in it—To give in it!
Give thanks with all thy flaming heart—
Crave but to be a part,
Give thanks and clasp thy heritage—
To be alive in such an age!

This poem from Today by Agela Morgan was taken from a 1965 address by our own Estelle Dameron. This poem expresses my feelings for today for it is an exciting age to be alive—an age of change and of challenge. Through more than a century of missionary activity the proclamation of the gospel has been central in our women's work even though in this priod methods of proclamation have changed. Our understanding or ourselves and of persons in other countries has changed. The world situation and governments change daily. The kinds of problems facing women in mission and the church have changed, but basic attitudes, basic behavior, and basic needs of humanity have not changed. The need for the gospel of Jesus Christ is the same—yesterday, today, and forever.

Today we celebrate a century of commitment—one hundred years of dedicated service to Christ and to His message of love. We celebrate not only an ending but also a beginning. We look forward to the future as we give thanks for our precious heritage.

More than 4 years ago I was asked to serve as Conference President of United Methodist Women. I was completely stunned—an impossible task! Yet I remembered having prayed that "adoor of service would be opened," for me as I concluded my district work. I was not prepared for such a large door. I identified with Moses who protested when God called him to go to Egypt—"Who am I? How can I do this thing you call me to do? Oh Lord, send, I pray some other person." Moses and I became close friends for several weeks as I searched for my own personal "burning bush."

One evening I opened my church school book to prepare for the lesson and there from the page leaped my "burning bush." (Duet. 31:7-8) "Be strong and of good courage—it is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you. He will not forsake you, Do not fear or be dismayed." This was my answer. He would not only be with me but would go before me. How could I refuse to go?

As God went before Moses and Joshua, Ruth and Naomi, the prophets of the old testament and the disciples of the new, so he goes before us. He prepared the way for the women of our mission organization who were willing to take that first step in faith. We continue the journey of faith. I would like for us to reflect for several minutes on our journey together these last four years. Our journey through the Purpose of United Methodist Women began as the conference executive committee sought "To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ" by sharing experiences in the "Workbook of Living Prayer." Our top priority became "A deeper, personal commitment to Jesus Christ." Two separate resource leaflets were prepared and distributed to all local units. Ten covenant prayer groups were formed and all districts held annual retreats. Local participation in "The Call to Prayer and Self-denial" was greater than ever and a combined offering of $36,067.69 (to date) was given. The emphasis continued through last Annual Meeting with the theme "Ye Shall be My Witnesses" and culminated in our First Conference wide retreat held at Seashore Assembly in Biloxi, Mississippi. This retreat led by Lois Kohler and Fay Matthews, was indeed a mountain top experience for the 150 women attending.

We were strengthened along our journey as we shared communion with 9000 other United Methodist Women at Assembly in Louisville, Kentucky and we were inspired by bible study led by Dr. Albert von den Heuvel. There were many opportunities in each year's School of Christian Mission to grow in knowledge and experience of God. It is our challenge as Christian women in an organized effort in mission to understand that the Christian faith calls us to be truly in the world and, at the same time, to understand that we do not succeed by our own efforts but in and by the grace of God. Jesus went into the wilderness, not to withdraw from the world but to decide how to live in the world. His ministry put him right in with the people. There he ministered to their physical suffering as well as their spiritual thirst.

Our mountain top experiences and refreshing moments of quiet, prayer and meditation send us out into the world to minister in His name. We can but follow for He has gone before us and prepared the way.

Our journey continues as we seek to be a creative, supportive fellowship. We notice along the road women in the fields planting and harvesting, some with children on their backs and we know this is back-breaking, painful toil. Women are the world's major food producers and preparers and rural women should be the key factor in plans aimed at solving the world food crisis. We supported our sisters through the "Women in Rural Development Fund" by sending $5,553.64. Projects focusing on land reform, adequate water supply systems, food production and marketing, and many other programs will be supported through this quadrenial emphasis fund.

By participating in the Assembly offering, sending $1700.00, we enable women to move into the new age through such programs as the residential program for recently released womem prisoners in New York or the Knitting Service program in Burma designed to provide training so women can earn a living.

Several paths came together as representatives attended the National and State Assemblies of Church Women United and the National and Regional meetings of World Federation of Methodist Women. The Regional meeting was chaired by Elizabeth Thomas of our conference.

We know our supportive fellowship is world-wide and we encouraged others to join us through a Membership Motivation Workshop led by Rita Barto of Pennsylvania. This emphasis continues as we work together to increase our membership by at least 10%.

We have worked closely with the Commission on the Status and Role of Women chaired by Lottie Palazzo, a member of the executive committee, and have had the opportunity to become informed in such issued as the Equal Rights Amendment. We recognize and support our sisters in the ordained and diaconal ministries.

We appreciate the women from among our fellowship receiving special recognition or elected to leadership positions. Estelle Dameron was chosen "Valiant Woman of the Year" by Church Women United of Louisiana. Ruth Carter was one of the major contributors to the newly published book "To a Higher Glory", the history of black women in mission. One of our members, Dorothy Mae Taylor, was a state representative. Many were elected to serve on boards and agencies such as Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation, Louisiana Interchurch Foundation, United Methodist Foundation, Dulac Community Center, MacDonell Children's Services, People's Community Center, St. Mark's Community Center, Children's Home in Ruston, Methodist Home Hospital in New Orleans, Lafon Home, Methodist Hospital, and many others in church and community.
We were pleased to have women elected to the delegation to General Conference and Jurisdictional Conference in 1976 and 1980. A very special vote of thanks goes to Mary Adele Compton for serving so faithfully on the Women's Division. We appreciate all that she has done.

Our journey continues through the country side and cities as we "Expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church." There were many opportunities for individuals to grow in understanding of what it means to be a Christian in today's world. **New Officer Training** for conference officers affords an opportunity to become better acquainted with the purpose of the Women's Division and the Board of Global Ministries. Each year **District Elected Leaders' Training** gives more than 100 district officers an opportunity to become well equiped and informed leaders. Last year was our **first** over night session and it was well received. Another is planned this year and will feature a communication learning experience.

Other opportunities for participation were: the Inter-conference District Leaders' Training, (Ms) the President's Consultation (TX), Leadership Development Experience (OK), Seminar on Human Rights (NY), Economic Justice Seminar (NY), International Year of the Child—Child Advocacy (NY), Regional Training Event COSROW/WD, (CO), National Division/Women's Division, (TX), National Seminar (NB), Regional Consultative Committee and Jurisdiction Core Planning Group. Persons attending these events are channels for information and inspiration to the conference program.

Representatives attended two Seminars on **Law of the Sea** and this became a major emphasis of the Conference as we encourage district and local programs and action throughout the church on this vital issue.

Another first for our conference was a **Legislative Training Event** designed to motivate and enable women to effect change through the legislative process. Several districts held similar events.

Meeting the needs of children has always been a prime concern, as evidenced by the many hospitals, schools, homes and day care centers established by this organization. The **Task Force on Child Advocacy** has developed specific procedures for continuing participation of all members in this emphasis.

The Charter of Racial Justice Policies was ratified by the Conference at the last Annual Meeting. Ratification is the first step in implementation and refers the Charter to districts and local units for their consideration. Ratification provides growth through struggle as each part of the organization studies and votes. Sometimes the journey is difficult. Seven of the nine districts ratified the Charter and the eighth presentated it to their local units for study. To date 66 units have ratified the Charter, 27 voted against ratification. The target date is March 1980 and local units are urged to continue study and implementation of the Charter.

The United Methodist Women image Task Group treated us to a display at Annual Conference interpreting the Purpose and including study material, resources, financial responsibilities and involvement in issues. A membership pin was presented to Bishop Shamblin and three books were presented to the conference library.

Conference and District **Finance Workshops** helped us become better stewards and understand the importance of our pledge to missions. Each year we overpaid our pledge and this year sent nearly $175,000.00 as undesignated giving. The emphasis on **undesignated giving** is essential and represents nearly 40% of the total budget of the Board of Global Ministries. It frees projects to be in ministry without having to compete with one another for funds. A program of mission interpretation is vital!

Regional and Conference Schools of Christian Mission continue as our most vital link in expanding concepts of mission. Almost 1300 persons attended our conference school this quadrenium and were offered the opportunity for serious study of what it means to be a Christians together in mission. Sometimes the journey is rocky as we confront issues and realities. Weeds of fear cause us concern, but many times the liberating "word" comes to us in the midst of our struggles, painfully allowing us to grow.

To encourage a greater depth of study an **"Excellence of Studies Special Recognition Plan"** was developed and each year more local units have participated receiving the certificate of recognition.

1979 brings a new **"Reading Program Plan"** designed to make us better informed and aware of the world situation and the needs of people everywhere. Brochures will be distributed today explaining this program. **"Response"** and **"New World Outlook"** continue as our best investment in keeping up with the lastest involvement of women in mission.

A new Conference **Newsletter** debuted this quadrenium intending to strengthen communication throughout the membership and keep us well informed. This is sent to all local officers, pastors, district and conference executive committee members and other designated persons. If you are one of these persons and do not receive the newsletter, see that your name is sent to the district secretary.

Many roads have come together over a century to bring us to this place in history. This last decade, four paths have joined from the former Conference A and B and the Women's Society of Christian Service and Wesleyan Service Guild. Now as United Methodist Women we are on one road leading into our second century of service. We stand on the threshold of tomorrow.

It takes just one small step in faith
To begin an adventure with God.
The road may be smooth or rocky,
And verdant or barren the sod.

But oh, my sisters you must take that step,
For you stand on the edge of time -
A new century opens her doors to you -
Won't you put your hand in mine?

For it is the Lord who goes before you,
Do not fear or feel dismay -
Be strong and of good courage,
He'll be with you all the way.

Following Mrs. Ward's address the assembly sang "Lead on O King Eternal."

Words of welcome were extended to everyone by Dr. D. L. Dykes, Pastor of First Church; Rev. James W. Moore, Associate Pastor of First Church; Mrs. Frank Bright, President of First Church United Methodist Women; and Mrs. Harvey L. Carter, President of Shreveport District.

Appointment of Committees: Mrs. Stinson and Mrs. Carruth were appointed to examine the minutes. Mrs. Dameron as Parliamentary Advisor, and Mrs. Palazzo as chairperson of election.

Recommendations: Mrs. Chrisman, Conference Secretary, read the following recommendation: "The executive committee recommends the offering received at this Annual Meeting go to the "Medical Care for retired missionaries and deaconesses in honor of deaconesses, missionaries, and other workers associated with the Louisiana Conference."

Report of Treasurer: Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir, Conference Treasurer, gave the following proposed 1980 budget. The budget was approved.

PROPOSED 1980 BUDGET

Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women

I. Mission to Others: Pledge to Missions $171,000

II. Mission to Ourselves: Administration & Membership Development

A. **Travel Expenses** (mileage, room, board, insurance to Executive Committee Events within our conference) ..... $ 7,600

B. **Officer Resources** (Service Center, Etc.) 100

C. **District Administration & Membership Development** 8,550

E. **Schools of Christian Mission**
1. Regional 2,200

2. Conference (this may be revolving) 1,500

F. **Programs & Events within our conference**
1. Annual Meeting 900

2. District Elected Leadership Training 350

3. Church Related Meetings 200

4. Conference Workshop 1,800

G. **Attendance at Regional & National Events**

1. Assembly, 1982 (cumulative for 4 years) 30

2. Jurisdiction Meeting, 1980 (cumulative 4 years) 700

3. Church Women United Ecumenical Assembly, 1980 (cumulative 3 years) 350

4. National Seminar, 1984 (cumulative 4 years) 250

5. Other special meetings 800

H. **Operating Expenses**

1. Conference Directory 1,400

2. Newsletter 2,000

3. Postage 600

4. Office Supplies & Mimeographing 500

5. Telephone 700

6. Audit 500

7. Bonding 75

8. Miscellaneous 400

I. **Louisiana Church Women United** 140

J. **Unanticipated Opportunities** 1,000

TOTAL A&MD BUDGET $33,500

TOTAL CONFERENCE BUDGET $204,500

Report of Constitution, Bylaws, Standing Rules: Mrs. Dameron, Conference Chairperson of Committee on Constitution, Bylaws, Standing Rules, presented the changes and moved their adoption. The amendments which were adopted are as follows:

The Local Unit

The following amendment was approved by the Women's Division and is given here for information:

Article II, Section 4, Par. 6 (unnumbered) (W.D., pg. 7)

Amend by substituting the word "District" for the word "conference". The paragraph will then read:

Send to the **district** treasurer an annual, itemized statement of all funds, including local funds, as approved by the auditing committee of the local church.

United Methodist Women in the District Bylaws

Article 11, Section 9, A (W.D., pg. 29)

Amend by deleting the last sentence of the paragraph and adding the following new sentence and new paragraph:

The title of an associate treasurer shall be Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation, and her duties shall be limited to financial interpretation and promotion.

When this office is created, a job description shall be written and given to the District Committee on Nominations. (See Manual for Treasurers for suggestions, pgs. 36-38.) **An Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation shall be a member of the Executive Committee, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Program.**

Section 9, A will then read:

The District Executive Committee, upon evaluation of district needs and the responsibilities of the treasurer, may create an office of associate treasurer. **The title of an associate treasurer shall be Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation, and her duties shall be limited to financial interpretation and promotion.**

When this office is created, a job description shall be written and given to the district Committee on Nominations. (See Manual for Treasurers for suggestions, pgs. 36-38.) **An Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation shall be a member of the Executive Committee, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Program.**

Article IV, Section 1, A (W.D., pg. 31)

Amend Section 1, A, by inserting the words "chairperson of the committee on membership" after the words, "secretary of program resources."

Section 1, A will then read:

MEMBERSHIP—The committee shall include the vice president as chairperson, the president, the treasurer, the secretary, the four mission coordinators, the secretary of program resources, **the chairperson of the committee on membership,** and others as the Executive Committee may determine.

Standing Rules

Standing Rule #1 (La., pg. 8)

Amend the Rule by deleting the words "instructions for their use" and substituting the words "the list of nominees for elected leadership in the district organization", and by making needed editorial changes.

The **Standing Rule** will then read:

Thirty (30) days before the annual meeting of the district organization, **each local unit shall be sent registration forms for the meeting and the list of nominees for elected leadership in the district organization.**

Article 11, Sections 9, A (W.D., pg. 47)

Amend **Section 9, A** by deleting the last sentence of the paragraph and by adding the following new sentence and new paragraph:

The title of an associate treasurer shall be Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation, and her duties shall be limited to financial interpretation and promotion.

When this office is created, a job description shall be written and given to the conference Committee on Nominations. (See Manual for Treasurers for suggestions, pgs. 36-38.) **An Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation shall be a member of the Executive Committee, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Program.**

Section 9, A will then read:

The Conference Executive Committee, upon recommendation of the Committee on Finance, may create an office of associate treasurer. **The title of an associate treasurer shall be Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation, and her duties shall be limited to financial interpretation and promotion.**

When this office is created, a job description shall be written and given to the conference Committee on Nominations. (See Manual for Treasurers for suggestions, pgs. 36-38.) **An Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation shall be a member of the Executive Committee, the Committee on Finance, and the Committee on Program.**

Article IV, Section 1, A (W.D. pg. 49; La., pg. 13)

Amend **Section 1, A** by inserting the words "chairperson of the committee on membership" after the words "secretary of program resources".

Section 1, A will then read:

MEMBERSHIP—The committee shall include the vice president as chairperson, the president, the treasurer, the secretary, the four mission coordinators, the secretary of program resources, **the chairperson of the committee on membership,** and others as the Executive Committee may determine.

Article IV, Section 4 (La., pg. 15)

Amend **Section 4** by

1. Deleting the phrase "who shall be elected on the basis of the size and membership distribution of the conference organization" and substituting the following: "Each of the nine districts shall have one representative on the committee which. . ."

2. Changing the number "three" to the number "four" in the last sentence.

3. Adding a new sentence to the Section as follows: "The chairperson shall be a member serving her second or third year on the committee."

Section 4 will then read:

Section 4. There shall be a COMMITTE ON NOMINATIONS

The committee shall be composed of nine (9) persons, including the chairperson. **Each of the nine (9) districts shall have one representative on the committee, which** shall, insofar as possible, be representative of the membership of the conference in matters of employment, age, racial and ethnic backgrounds. No member of the committee shall hold any other office in the organization beyond the local unit, but at least **four** (4) members of the committee shall have served in a district and/or conference office. **The chairperson shall be a member serving her second or third year on the committee.**

Article V, Section 2, A, 1 by inserting, in the first sentence the words, "including the chairperson", after the words "nine (9) persons."

The **sentence** will then read:

The committee shall be composed of nine(9) persons, **including the chairperson,** and shall be elected by the conference organization.

Standing Rules

1. **Standing Rules under Funds** (La., pgs. 24-25)

   a. Amend **Standing Rule #2** by adding a new section, d, as follows:

      Expenses for meetings of a Task Group shall follow provisions as outlined in a, b, and c above.

   b. Amend **Standing Rule #5** by changing "Ten (10) cents per mile" to thirteen (13) cents per mile."

      The **sentence will then read:**

   Thirteen (13) cents per mile shall be allowed for travel by car.

2. **Standing Rule #1 under Annual Meeting** (La., pg. 26)

   Amend the Rule by deleting the words "instructions for their use" and substituting the following phrase, "the list of nominees for elected leadership in the conference organization," and by making needed editorial changes.

   The **Standing Rule** will then read:

   Thirty (30) days before the annual meeting of the conference organization, **each local unit shall be sent registration forms for the meeting, and the list of nominees for elected leadership in the conference organization.**

3. **Standing Rules under Other Leadership** (La., pgs. 27-28)

   a. **Standing Rule #1.** Amend by deleting the words "shall serve for two years and."

      The **Standing Rule** will then read:

   There shall be a conference Historian, appointed by the president with the approval of the Executive Committee. The Historian shall be a member of the Executive Committee with vote.

   b. **Standing Rule #2.** Amend by deleting Standing Rule #2, and substituting a new Standing Rule #2, to read as follows:

After evaluating the financial needs of the conference organization, the Committee on Finance may recommend the creation of the office of associate treasurer. An associate treasurer shall be called Associate Treasurer for Financial Interpretation, and her duties shall be limited to financial interpretation and promotion. When the office of associate treasurer is created, a job description shall be written and given to the committee on nominations.

c. **Standing Rule #4.** Amend by deleting all of the Rule which follows the first sentence and substituting the following:

Committee members shall attend all meetings of the committee. A member missing two committee meetings in a year, without having been excused by the chairperson, shall no longer be considered a member of the committee.

The **Standing Rule** will then read:

Persons elected to the Committee on Nominations shall attend all opportunities offered them for increasing their knowledge of the work of the committee. **Committee members shall attend all meetings of the committee, A member missing two committee meetings in a year without having been excused by the chairperson, shall no long be considered a member of the committee.**

d. Add a new **Standing Rule #5** to read as follows:

The chairperson of the Conference Commission on Status and Role of Women shall be invited to become a member of the Executive Committee of United Methodist Women, with vote, if she is not already a member.

e. Add a new **Standing Rule #6** to read as follows:

There shall be an Editor-Public Relations Coordinator, to be appointed, on a two year basis, by the president and confirmed by the Executive Committee. She shall be a member of the Executive Committee, with vote. The duties of the Editor-Public Relations Coordinator shall be:

1. **To edit the conference paper in consultation with the president and/or task group.**

2. **To serve as liaison person with the printer and be responsible for having the paper mailed to all designated persons.**

3. **To serve as public relating officer and provide publicity for conference activities of United Methodist Women.**

4. **To attend meetings of the Executive Committee and meetings of the conference organization.**

4. **Standing Rules under Special Mission Recognition, Gifts, and Memorials** (La., pg. 28)

a. Amend Standing Rule #1 by deleting the words "deacons" and "or become probationary or full connection members."

The **Standing Rule** will then read:

When women from the Louisiana Conference are consecrated in the diaconal ministry, or when they are ordained elders **In the Annual Conference, they shall be honored with twenty-five dollar ($25.00) memberships through the Special Mission Recognition Plan in** United Methodist Women.

b. Add a new Standing Rule #3 to read as follows:

Each year, the president may select, in consultation with the Administrative Committee, a person to be the recipient of a $25.00 gift to missions through the Special Recognition Plan, the presentation to be made at the meeting of the Annual Conference.

The assembly then sang "The Church's One Foundation."

Election of Conference Officers: Mrs. Chrisman read the Conference Bylaws and Standing Rules establishing voting membership. She then announced the following names of tellers for the election:

District	Distributing Teller	Counting Teller
Alexandria	Mrs. Don Lott	Mrs. J. A. Stinson
Baton Rouge - Hammond	Mrs. Allen Thompson	Mrs. Lou Alexander
Baton Rouge - Lafayette	Mrs. Robert Brupbachr	Mrs. Inez Chrisentery
Lake Charles	Mrs. Roy France	Mrs. Claudius Mayo
Monroe	Mrs. J. O. Young	Mrs. Minza Rabun
New Orleans - Slidell	Miss Emma Burris	Mrs. Hazel Gallaher
New Orleans - Houma	Mrs. Gloria Harris	Mrs. Virginia Aswell
Ruston	Mrs. Fred Barr	Mrs. W. F. Manning
Shreveport	Mrs. Gretchen Claiborne	Mrs. Tom Crosby

Committee on Nominations: Chairperson, Mrs. Sadie Williams submitted the following nominees:

President (2 year term)	Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir
Secretary (2 year term)	Mrs. Chris Hall
Treasurer (1 year term)	Mrs. Leo Hoffpauir

Mission Cordinator:

Christian Global Concerns	Mrs. Wayne Bryan	(2 year term)
Secretary of Program Resources	Mrs. Carlyle Chapman	(2 year term)
Chairperson: Committee on Membership	Mrs. Warren Blakeman	(2 year term)

Chairperson: Committee on Nominations Mrs. Luther Rone (1 year term)
Member Committee on Nominations (all 3 year terms) Mrs. Hugo Watson
Mrs. J. A. McCarstle
Mrs. W. J. Packer

Mrs. Dameron moved these nominees be elected by acclamation. Mrs. Ward declared the officers duly elected.

Election of Jurisdiction Delegates: Mrs. Chrisman read the Conference Constitution establishing the election of the six delegates. The following were elected.

Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir
Mrs. Wayne Bryan
Mrs. Carlyle Chapman
Mrs. Walter Brock
Mrs. Warren Blakeman
Mrs. T. J. Butler, Sr.

Alternates: Mrs. Leo Hoffpauir
Mrs. Chris Hall

Election of Nominees for Women's Division: Mrs. Chrisman read the Conference Constitution establishing the election of nominees for the Women's Division.
The following were elected as nominees:

Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas
Mrs. Harvey L. Carter
Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner Alternate: Mrs. Wayne Bryan

Historical Booklet: Mrs. Gardner, Chairperson, Annual Meeting Program Task Group, expressed her appreciation and thanks to Mrs. G. W. Charlton, Mrs. John G. Cooke, Jr., Mrs. Ethel F. Burgess and the printer for the historical booklet. Mrs. Gardner also thanked Ms. Oddette Rickett and Mrs. Diana Burke for the emblem on the cover of the booklet and the program.

MacDonell's United Methodist Children's Services: Mr. G. Jerry Bridges, Director, invited the women to MacDonell's Diamond Jubilee Anniversary, sixty years of service celebration and the ground breaking ceremony for the Elizabeth McGowan house to be held on Sunday, September 24, 1979.

Program Resources: Mrs. Chapman, Conference Secretary of Program Resources, gave the women a list of resources that were in the literature room, by pulling the titles out of a large hat. Mrs. Chapman added: "The Reading Program Brochures for the Louisiana Conference are available in the Literature Room. The 1980 goal for the Conference is to have 10% of the membership of 15 units participate in the Reading Program."

Membership Emphasis: Mrs. Blakeman, Conference Chairperson of Committee on Membership, and members of the committee presented a skit emphasizing the theme, "Share your umbrella." Each local unit will need to get together and have a committee to work on membership. The theme for membership in 1980 will be "Caring about our membership." Umbrellas were handed out to local Membership Chairpersons throughout the assembly.

Friday Evening

Presentations: Mrs. C. B. McGowan, past president of Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women, presented Mrs. Glenn Laskey, former Louisiana Conference president and past president of the Women's Division, a sustaining membership pin and certificate.

Mrs. McGowan also presented Mrs. C. Jarrett Gray, Sr., President of the Women's Division, a sustaining membership pin and certificate. Mrs. McGowan said to Mrs. Gray, "Your foot prints have not been made in sand, but in firm deep prints."

Mrs. Gray replied, "I appreciate your thoughtfulness. I take great joy in being here with you. I accept this sustaining gift to help the ill, a school, and give a leper more treatments. Your love is appreciated and I love you."

Honoring Retiring Conference Officers: Mrs. Robert Compton, Women's Division Member and past president of the Louisiana Conference, presented Mrs. Truman Ward, President; Mrs. Chrisman, Secretary; and Mrs. Clarence Bell, Mrs. Sadie Williams, and Mrs. Vera Williams, Nominating Committee, with membership pins and certificates.

Centenary College Choir: The Choir sang several songs under the directorship of Dr. Will Andress. They also sang songs between acts of the drama.

Drama: Mrs. Warren Blakeman wrote and produced a presentation dramatizing the heritage of our organization. Mrs. Inez Chrisentery and Mrs. Blakeman were the readers, while other women acted out the history in dress and reading parts.

The program was closed by all those present holding hands in a circle around the auditorium and singing, "The Great Parade."

Saturday, September 22, 1979

Celebration with Song: A volunteer choir of women under the directorship of Dr. Will Andress sang for the opening worship.

Pledge Service: Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir, Conference Treasurer, with the help of district treasurers, presented the pledge service. Each district treasurer had a beautifully wrapped package, representing a gift to missions, with the amount of the district pledge to missions on each package.

Address: Mrs. Gray stated "We stand on the edge of a new centry. Helping a new world to be born. We must become a new community of people, committed to Jesus Christ, willing to listen, willing to dare and to do, willing to become a new creation.

Indeed, something **new** is about to be born in the Louisiana Conference, a deeper commitment and a new vision.

May the women have a sense of mission and a sense of rising beyond their horizon.

A heritage is great to be remembered. We all need to move into a new age. Go Ye therefore and make disciples."

Quiet Reflection: The following reflective thoughts were given by Miss Arlene Tyler.

"Life is so crowded everyday. It takes great effort to step aside and just watch—think—reflect. But let us step out and reflect on our mission in the Women's Work.

Our first reflection shows a small group of women—older women—quietly studying the heroes of the Mission Field, quilting, refurnishing the parsonage, feeding the Lion's Club, sitting in great meditation and prayer, ministering to the sick and needy.

In quietness and confidence was their strength and may it be ours. This is the backbone and heritage of Methodist Women's Work in Louisiana. (Let us pause to give thanks for these.)

As we continue our reflection we see a larger group of women—perhaps younger—more active—their world is larger—outreach greater—active in all areas of the organized church—in civic and political world in which they live. 'They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength.'

Look! In the quiet and beauty of a chapel or the outdoor cathedral of our world, we find women in meditation and prayer and Christian Fellowship. It is a district retreat in which the women are seeking and praying: 'Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.'

As we continue in reflection it is almost midnight—a group of women are seated around a long table on which there are books, Bible, Annual Report, copies of past programs—the women are tired, weary, sleepy—but determined to finish the task to a certain point. It is the Conference Committee gathered together, praying, planning and working.

Our next reflection is a hot one—loads are heavy—but women are gathering to live dormitory style—greetings, laughter fill the air—rushing to browse in the literature room—study displays catch the eye of all—it's the School of Mission. Women meeting the challenge of: 'study to show thyself approved, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed—rightly dividing the work of truth.'

Look again—buses, trains, planes, cars—converging to one center—banners waving—women—women everywhere assembled to renew and enrich the spirit in their hearts through

the gospel message, the mission of the church, through drama, great music of the church—and task groups—thus at the Assembly, Methodist Women continue with one accord in prayer and supplication.

In reflection, we have seen Methodist women in local, district, conference, School of Missions and the Assembly—we continue in reflection. . . .

'But this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those which are before.

I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Jesus Christ!'"

Recognition of Ordained Women or Diaconal Ministers: Mrs. Brock presented a special membership pin and certificate to Mrs. Barbara P. Garcia, a diaconal minister; Rev. Millicent Feskie, Rev. Carolyn Pullen Brannen, and Rev. Linn Caraway Richardson, ordained ministers.

She also presented Lois Kohler a patron pin and certificate, expressing our love and appreciation.

Offering: A list of missionaries and deaconesses related to the Louisiana Conference was read by Mrs. Gloria Bennett and Mrs. Lundy as the offering was being received. The offering of $926.51 was received and will go to the missionaries' medical fund.

Missionaries associated with the Louisiana Conference related to the Board of Missions and/or the Board of Global Ministries from 1911 to 1979 are:

Nellie O'Beirne
Ada Parker Brown
Clara Chalmers
Julia Reid Paxton
Patricia McHugh
Lucille Hurley
Charlie Hampton
Mantha Rose Caraway
Vela Howell Cleveland, M.D.
Carole Cotton-Winn
*Mary Hart Lowry, M.D.
*Elizabeth Spitzkeit
*Mrs. Ben Youngblood
*Joyce Dewey
*Patricia B. Spencer
Ellen Cowen

Helen Johnston
Anna B. Williams
Naomi Chapman
Ava Morton
Elma Ashby
Anna Givens
Marie Primm
Martha Fay White
Doretha Brown Cooper
*Rosemary Cady
*Sally Pleiman
*Sarajini Welch
*Carol F. Wood
*Margaret Duncan
*Sue Messenger
*Betty M. Garrett

Sallie M. Phillips
Pauline Randle
Iva Mae Pierce
Berta Hirzler
Alexa McCain
Gretchen Elston Benner
Patricia Alexander
Margaret Wade Campbell
*Mildred W. Brunson
*Elizabeth Holt
*Jo Ann Small
*Julia Williams
*Shirley Barnes
*Ola Marie McClendon
Linda Boddie
*Joyce S. Alford

*World Division Missionaries assigned with their husbands.

Deaconesses and other workers associated with the Louisiana Conference related to the Board of Missions and/or the Board of Global Ministries from 1911 to 1979 are:

Eliza Isles Harris
Mary Daniel
Bertie Breeden
Sophie Kuntz
Margaret Young
Carrie A. Porter
Emma Burris

Kate Walker
Helen Gibson
Ella K. Hooper
Cora Godat Krone
Margaret Ragland
Mary Nichols
Sheila Nuttal

Grace Gatewood
Berta Ellison
Ida Stevens
Aletha Graham
Ora Hooper
Willie May Porter
Mary E. Freeman

Verna Webster Willia
Betty Glasson
Pearlie Mae Kelley
Elizabeth Covington
Polly Gemar
Jo Ann Richardson
Louise Mitchell
Carrie Lena Myrick
Rosie Ann Cobb
Phoebe Reynolds
Martha Overby
Lillian Nelle Coulter
Margaret Field
Edna Mae Ridley
Mamie J. Chandler
Lillian Day
Lucille Pierce Folk
Neoma Windham
Elizabeth Stinson
Helen B. Mandebaum
Geraldine Hunt
Harriett Russell
Fae L. Daves
Edrene Downs
Patricia Gibson
Brenda Moorman
Doris L. Armes
Margaret Infinger
Jennie Flood
Elizabeth Thompson
Arline Tyler
Stella Lowe
Evelyn V. Murphree
Norma Garlington
Wilma Snare
Barbara Boultinghouse
Judity Doyle
Shirley Nichols
Lillian Nelle Peach
Juanita Ivie

Report of Registration: Mrs. Don Evans reported that 673 had paid registration. There were a large number of guests.

Place of 1980 Annual Meeting: Mrs. Eggerton and Mrs. Mielke invited the women to come to New Orleans for the 1980 Annual Meeting. President Cook has invited the women to hold their meeting at Dillard University in New Orleans. Mrs. John Blackman was appointed chairperson of the Annual Meeting Program

United Methodist Men: Mr. Ernest Arnold congratulated Mrs. Ward and the women for the work they had done for the church. Mr. Arnold stated, "The impossible way will become possible, if we go about doing the business of God," as he pinned a rose of sharon, the symbol of our Lord, on Mrs. Ward.

Louisiana Moral and Civic Foundation: Mr. Ken Ward expressed his appreciation for the generous offerings that have been given by Methodist Women to the LMCF through the years.

Installation of Officers: Mrs. Gray installed the 1980 Officers in a very inspiring ceremony.

Meeting adjourned: Mrs. Ward adjourned the Sixth Annual Meeting by stating, "A Century of Commitment," and presented the gavel to Mrs. Hoffpauir, newly elected president, who concluded "Go Ye Therefore."

Examiners:

Mrs. Edward Carruth
Mrs. J. A. Stinson
Date_____

Mrs. Louie Chrisman, Secretary

Mrs. Truman Ward, President

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

First United Methodist Church - Shreveport, La.
September 22, 1979

The Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women Executive Committee met at the First United Methodist Church, Shreveport, Louisiana on Saturday, September 22, 1979 at 1:15 PM following adjournment of the Conference Annual Meeting. Lunch was brought in by the church hostesses.

Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir, President, called the meeting to order. She thanked Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner, Chairman, Program Task Group, for the most successful Annual Meeting and Centennial Celebration and asked her to open the Committee Meeting with prayer and grace for the meal.

Members present were: Mesdames Mary Ellen Gardner, Evelyn Evans, Kathleen Thom, Janet Hoffpauir, Mary Lou Blakeman, Estelle Dameron, Nancy M. Carruth, Mary Adele Compton, Gloria Chapman, Margaret Mielke, Margaret Bryan, Lottie Palazzo, Ardessie C. Prophet, Audrey Milo, Jessie Chastain, Betty Blackman, Nell Read, Mary Searles, Marion L. Eggerton, Norma Winegart, Christine Rone, Lottie Stinson, Lavella Chrisman, Louvenia Carter, Sadie Williams, Helen Brock, Johnnye Butler, Ethel Brupbacher, Marie Young, Helen Owen, Gail H. Rountree, Julia Heard, Jeanette Kelley, Fran Hall, Amy Ward, Lois E. Kohler and Mai H. Gray.

Appointments: Mrs. Hoffpauir recommended the following persons to be appointed to the Executive Committee: Mrs. Jack S. Winegart, Historian, Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Constitution - Bylaws and Standing Rules and Mrs. Edward T. Carruth, Editor - Public Relations Coordinator. All appointees were approved.

District Elected Leaders' Training: Mrs. Hoffpauir gave a brief description of plans and schedule for District Elected Leaders' Training on November 2 and 3, 1979 at First United Methodist Church, Pineville. She said all reservations have been made at Best Western Motel, Alexandria. It was agreed that any District Public Relations/Publicity Chairmen are invited to attend. All Conference Elected Leaders were requested to contact District Counterparts. The Secretary was instructed to immediately secure names and addresses of District Elected Leaders and send to Conference Officers. District Presidents were asked to prepare a Communication Profile using information and materials on how they communicate, such as Newsletters, Publicity Persons, etc.

Ruth Carter: It was suggested that some honor should be paid to Ruth Carter, NO - Houma District President, who is ill; possibly the dedication of the new Directory. Mrs. David Mielke, Acting New Orleans-Houma District President, stated that a Ruth Carter Auxiliary was being organized for the benefit of Peoples Community Center. The first item to be purchased is a slide projector. Membership is $1.00. Everyone is invited to join. No action was taken on the first suggestion.

Conference Annual Meeting 1980: Mrs. John B. Blackman was introduced as the Chairman of Task Group for Annual Meeting Program for September 19, 20, 1980 at Dillard University New Orleans. She asked for our prayers and support, and announced that there will be a planning meeting at Dillard on Saturday, January 19, 1980. She asked that Mrs. C. B. McGowan be an advisor to the Committee. Request granted.

Program Committee: Mrs. Walter H. Brock requested that three additional names be added to the Program Committee. They were: Mrs. G. W. Dameron, Mrs. Robert H. Compton and Mrs. Edward T. Carruth. Names were approved.

Mrs. Hoffpauir thanked those who were retiring and welcomed the new Elected Leaders and special guests, Mrs. Mai H. Gray, Women's Division President and Mrs. Lois E. Kohler, Regional Staff Member.

She also expressed thanks to Mrs. Warren Blakeman for the very excellent drama and announced she would close the meeting with a prayer found in the materials secured during the research (Copy below).

Mrs. Chris H. Hall, Secretary
Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir, President

Taken from the minutes of the Council Meeting in 1883 of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mrs. Fannie Aiken, recording secretary of Woman's Home Missionary Society for 30 years, wrote in 1883: "The evening shadows had fallen upon the outer world and weariness had fastened itself upon even the most vigorous members of the Board. Discussions had ceased. Papers were folded away. Sympathetic eyes looked into each other again. Hand pressures were given to earnest workers that silently, but for more significantly than uttered thoughts from weary brains, showed that the links of Christian love and labor, while strained by the peculiar pressure of business in a multiplicity of embarrassing detail, were, by the Grace of Him whose we are, preserved in an unbroken chain, whose circling influence go out wider and broader, in the time to come, until the shores of Eternity shall reveal the brightness diffused in darkened hearts and homes through the blessed agency of the Woman's Home Missionary Society."

PROGRAM

"A CENTURY OF COMMITMENT GO YE THEREFORE"

"It is God himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus and long ago He planned that we should spend these live in helping others." Eph. 2:10

Friday, September 21, 1979

12:45 Organ Prelude — Robert Ehrhardt

1:00 Convening of Annual Meeting — Mrs. Truman L. Ward

Hymn 1 "O For A Thousand Tongues"

BANNER PROCESSIONAL - Districts

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society
1879 - 1890
Baton Rouge - Hammond District

Woman's Home Missionary Society
Methodist Episcopal Church
1881 - 1940
New Orleans - Houma District

Woman's Parsonage and Home Mission Society
1891 - 1900
Baton Rouge - Lafayette District

Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Society
1900 - 1911
Lake Charles District

Woman's Missionary Society
1911 - 1940
New Orleans - Slidell District

Woman's Society of Christian Service
1940 - 1968
Alexandria District

Wesleyan Service Guild
1940 - 1972
Monroe District

Women's Society of Christian Service
1968 - 1972
Ruston District

United Methodist Women
1972
Shreveport District

"Be Strong in the Lord and in the Power of His Might."

WORSHIP MEDITATION — Rev. Marie Williams, Rev. Carol S. Winn

Hymn 470 "God of Grace, God of Glory"

LIGHTING THE HERITAGE CANDLE	
PRAYER	Mrs. G. W. Dameron
WORDS OF WELCOME	Dr. D. L. Dykes
	Mrs. Frank Bright
	Mrs. Harvey Carter
At The End of 100 Years	Mrs. Truman L. Ward

Hymn 478 "Lead On O King Eternal"

PRESENTATION OF PROGRAM	Mrs. Wiley Gardner
BUSINESS	
Appointment of Committees	
Recommendations from Executive Committee	Mrs. Louie Chrisman
Report of Treasurer	
Presentation and Adoption of 1980 Budget	Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir
Report of Constitution, Bylaws, Standing Rules	Mrs. G. W. Dameron

Hymn 297 "The Church's One Foundation"

Report of Committee on Nomination	Mrs. John Williams
Election of Conference Officers	
Election of Jurisdiction Delegates	
Election of Nominees for Women's Division	
PRESENTATION OF PROGRAM RESOURCES	Mrs. Carlyle Chapman
MEMBERSHIP EMPHASIS	Mrs. Warren Blakeman
MISSION FESTIVAL	Mrs. Howard Milo
	Mrs. George S. Chastain
	Mrs. T. J. Butler, Sr.
	Mrs. Wayne Bryan
Coordinator	Mrs. Walter Brock
HOTLINE TO THE PRESIDENT	Mrs. C. Jarrett Gray, Sr.
Coordinators	Mrs. Lois Kohler
	Mrs. Robert Eggerton

5:30 P.M. Volunteer Choir Rehearsal

"Pursue a thought, dare a little, invest in life, live the good news"

"My Children, love must not be a matter of words or talk, it must be genuine and show itself in action." I John 3:18

6:30 P.M. Dinner

7:30 P.M. DRAMA	Mrs. Warren Blakeman
Recognition of Retiring Officers	Mrs. Robert Compton

All Friday evening events will take place in the Activities Hall

. . . Good Night . . .

Saturday, September 22, 1979

7:30 A.M. Coffee and Doughnuts	served in the Activities Hall
8:00 A.M. Volunteer Choir Rehearsal	
8:30 A.M. CELEBRATE WITH SONG - Volunteer Choir	Dr. Will Andress, Director
PRAYER	Mrs. Maude Harris
PLEDGE SERVICE	Mrs. Richard Hoffpauir
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER	Mrs. Glenn Laskey
ADDRESS	Mrs. C. Jarrett Gray, Sr.
QUIET REFLECTION	Miss Arline Tyler

Hymn 542 "This Is My Song"

RECOGNITION OF ORDAINED WOMEN OR DIACONAL MINISTERS	Mrs. Walter Brock
OFFERING	

BUSINESS	Mrs. Truman L. Ward
Report of Registration	
Place of 1980 Annual Meeting	

. . . Break . . .

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS	Mrs. C. Jarrett Gray, Sr.
SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION	Dr. D. L. Dykes
	Rev. Jim Moore
	Rev. Marie Williams
	Rev. Carol S. Winn
	Dr. Harvey Williamson
	Dr. Donald A. Webb
ADJOURNMENT	Mrs. Truman L. Ward

"It is the Lord who goes before you; He will be with you, He will not fail you or forsake you, do not fear or be dismayed." *Deut. 31:8*

ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

Even as our conference culminates a century of work in His name, the approximately eleven hundred women of the Alexandria District have faith in a greater tomorrow. We are increasing our pledge $500, from $16,000 to $16,500. And isn't faith what it's all about—this organization of United Methodist Women. Faith in our maker and faith in our purpose. The women in our thirty-six units have lived their faith, too, in their homes, their churches, their towns, and in the "community women" we have throughout the district.

When I went to our district executive committee, however, and asked them what I should include in the report for this special occasion, they said:

"Tell them about our retreats."

Well, we had twenty women to attend the conference retreat in Biloxi, Mississippi. And then there was our district retreat in May. Forty-seven women gathered at Camp Brewer under clear, blue skies to hear Mrs. J. A. Stinson speak on "Faith for Living". The retreat had been preceded by evening and early morning meditation and fellowship led by Evelyn Evans and Kathleen Thom for the district executive committee. And to top it all off, the retreat ended with a luncheon prepared by the United Methodist Men's president from Natchitoches First Church, Mr. Raymond Christensen.

"And our mission tour."

The bus left First Church, Pineville, in the wee hours of the morning and turned toward New Orleans where we toured the Methodist Home Hospital, a facility for battered and abused children; and the Methodist Hospital. The twenty-three women and two men in attendance were so touched by what they saw and heard that a love offering was sent to the Home Hospital and one couple has since applied to adopt an older child from the institution.

"Tell them, too, that we're reading."

Six units are participating in the reading program, which is new to our district and conference, and two have completed the requirements for this year, First Church and Trinity in Alexandria.

"And lastly, tell them that we feel our district promotes younger women more than the other districts."

We do try to keep the younger women interested by providing sitters at meetings and involving them in the School of Missions by offering a scholarship to attend for a young woman under thirty-five. And our district executive committee has several young women seving as district officers.

Yes, our district's faith is a faith in action and we're looking forward to the next hundred years of work in the name of Him and United Methodist Women.

Mrs. Sidney B. Evans, Jr.
Alexandria District President

BATON ROUGE - HAMMOND DISTRICT

1979 has been a good year in our district. We have organized 2 new units in Walker, Louisiana, bringing to total the number of units in our district to 47. We have approximately 1,300 members and our 1979 pledge was $14,000.00.

We have sponsored a mission tour to New Orleans, a district "Day Apart" and very successful "Talk About School of Missions" so far this year. We have encouraged the celebration of the International Year of the Child and also a "Woman's Day" service in local congregations. As a district mission team we are traveling to as many local units as possible explaining our PURPOSE and taking a complete resource display to the local woman to enjoy and order material to help her unit.

Our conference President, Amy Ward, will be our guest speaker at our District Annual Meeting, Saturday, October 13th, in Baton Rouge at Jefferson Church. Lois Kohler, regional staff person from Nashville will conduct our local elected leaders training Saturday, November 10th, at Blackwater United Methodist Church.

Betty Blackman, District President

BATON ROUGE - LAFAYETTE DISTRICT

There are 33 units of United Methodist Women in the Baton Rouge - Lafayette District.

Some of our activities and actions are:

1. A successful mission tour to:
   a. St. Mark Community Center
   b. The Methodist Home Hospital
   c. Peoples Community Center

2. A very meaningful Spiritual Retreat, using the theme, Whole Persons through Jesus Christ.

3. Thirty-two women from the District attended the School of Christian Mission. Seven units received certificates for Excellence of Studies.

4. Twelve units promise to implement the Charter for Racial Justice Policies. The suggestions for implementation are as follow:
   a. Interisitation
      Units will visit by invitation (Black and White)
   b. Exchange of ideas among local units of the district. This should bring about a feeling of togetherness.

5. Encourage organization of units where they do not exist.

6. Encourage diligent use of Program Resource Book, Whole People Through Jesus Christ, especially the topics that come under Foundations for Wholeness "Wake us up, Lord!" A Theology of Purpose and under Global Wholeness:

   A Mission Shared
   "Human Rights"

   Both subjects focus on doing good and valuing people. The book itself helps us to live out the question asked in Micah 6:8, What doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

7. Many women from the district attended the Conference Retreat at Biloxi, Miss.

8. The President has held meetings or visited four local units of the district.

The Baton Rouge - Lafayette District pledged the amount of $21,000 to Mission.

We, the women of the Baton Rouge - Lafayette District, pray for a continued Christian fellowship.

Mrs. Ardessie C. Prophet, President
Baton Rouge - Lafayette District

LAKE CHARLES DISTRICT

The district has 40 local units with a membership of 1,552. Our pledge to Missions is $26,100.

Highlights - November 1978 - September, 1979

"Day Apart" on April 11, 1979 at District Camp- with Mrs. Walter Brock, Conference Vice-President, as guest leader.

Three newsletters with every elected District Officer sending a message to her local counterpart.

The organization of a United Methodist Women Unit at Merryville First United Methodist Church.

Participation of 36 out of the 40 local units in at least one district or conference meeting.

A personal visit to 16 local units.

Mrs. George L. Heard, Sr., President
Lake Charles District

MONROE DISTRICT

The Monroe District has 43 units with a membership of 1628.

We have had good attendance at all meetings such as, leadership training Mini School of Mission, Retreat, School of Christian Mission and District Meetings. All approved studies and some books on the reading list have been used.

Our Annual District Meeting is scheduled for October 6, 1979 at Memorial United Methodist Church in Monroe and we are expecting a great day.

The ladies of Monroe District have grown in grace and understanding of their fellowman and I feel we have accomplished a great deal and look forward to bigger tasks in the future.

May God bless all of us in our great work.

Mrs. Helen Owen
President, Monroe District

NEW ORLEANS - HOUMA DISTRICT

The New Orleans - Houma District has been much saddened this year because of the serious illness of our outgoing President, Ruth Carter. She became ill in February, after most of the plans for the year had been completed, but of course we missed her terribly as we carried them out. Because all of us felt that Ruth had given us so much, we decided to help establish an organization to honor her, The Ruth Carter Auxillary to People's Community Center.

Looking back over the past year, we are very encouraged by the fact that nearly half of the units attended at least one District event, and nearly twenty-five per cent attended at least one Conference event. Almost half of the units had a program on the International Year of the Child, and eighty per cent had at least one of the approved studies for this year or last year. About half of the units presented the Charter for Racial Justice to their women, and nearly half of those who did approved it. The responses from those units who did not approve it led us to believe that the women had discussed it and considered their action very carefully.

Besides becoming more involved in district activities, the local units are getting together in groups of two or more for special programs, one of which was a drama celebrating one hundred years of service to Louisiana. Many of the women are very involved in service to women and children within their own community. One unit makes special plans to remember disabled mothers in their own congregation on Mother's Day. Another unit prepares Children's Sermons. The women of one unit do volunteer work at a local hospital as a group, while other units do regular duty at local nursing homes or for community charities.

This has been a year of increased pledges, increased service, and increased fellowship among the women of our district. As we enter the eighties we are looking forward to building ever more upon this foundation.

Margaret Mielke, President
New Orleans - Houma District

NEW ORLEANS - SLIDELL DISTRICT

The New Orleans Slidell District as such has been in existence for two years. It is quite different from either of its former counterparts as it merged metropolitan, suburban, and rural areas with a twenty-four four mile lake in the middle.

There are forty units, approximately 1439 members in the district, and these members pledged $17,500.00 to missions in 1979. Special offering and honorary gifts will increase the total of **undesignated** giving.

We feel we are an inclusive district—geographically, economically, and racially. During my tenure as president, one of my district officers gave birth to her first child and another celebrate her 50th wedding anniversary. We are proud to have a retired deaconess serving as our District Coordinator of Global Concerns. Her name is Miss Emma Burris.

Our District Executive Team participated in the first Interconference Training Program sponsored by the Women's Division. We were pleased that **all** officers were in attendance!

The 1978 Assembly of United Methodist Women held in Louisville, Kentucky was attended by 31 of our members. Five were young women who received scholarships—one from the conference—four from the district. A slide presentation of the Assembly has been carried to many of the units in the New Orleans Slidell District and has really given the "Local Woman" a grasp of the purpose and commitment of this great mission organization.

Through our District Annual Meetings, District Retreats, Schools of Christian Mission, and Elected Leaders Training, we have tried to provide opportunities for spiritual growth and leadership development. The network of deep concern and support is apparent. We still have much to do—groups to motivate and units to organize! We have learned that the Shepherdess program (as outlined in the District Handbook) is the **ONLY** way to reach each and every member. I am always humbled to hear someone say "we didn't know you would come to our meetings." We are here to serve and are constantly seeking new opportunities.

Over half the units in the district have voted on the New Charter for Racial Justice Policies and are approving it overwhelmingly.

Marian L. Eggerton, President
New Orleans - Slidell District

RUSTON DISTIRCT

Ruston District women in mission include 33 units involving 1,260 members whose goal is to grow on knowledge of God and his work throughout the world.

A Mission Enrichment Experience in March brought us pictures and narration of volunteer work done in Honduras by Dr. Robert Kemmerly, Rev. Ed Boyd, and Rev. Kent Kilbourne. Sixty-three people from 11 units shared this occasion.

A spiritual highlight was the District Retreat at Caney Lake. Four Cluster Group Meetings involved 26 units and 112 persons with emphasis on total program. District and Conference Schools of Mission showed an increase in attendance. Pledge to missions and supplemental giving reflect concern for others as women continue to be supportive of church, community, and the spreading the good news of Christ in world. Our concern is to reach more women.

Mrs. Cecil Read, President
Ruston District

SHREVEPORT DISTRICT

There are 43 units and a membership of 2367 in the Shreveport District.

The total programming of the district was aimed at making the lcoal unit more aware of the scope of the program of United Methodist Women.

The 1978 District Annual Meeting brought together representatives from the various mission projects in the Louisiana Conference to help expand the concept of mission for the local unit.

The Training Sessions for Elected Leaders were held in the northern part and in the southern part of the district with weekday and Saturday sessions for the convenience of all members.

In February, a meeting was held to plan the events of the district and involve all the units in the planning process. Units volunteered for the activities. The afternoon was set aside for planning for the local units and sub districts. It was decided by two of the four sub districts that they wanted to have a sub district meeting this year. One was held in March and one was held in September.

In April there was a Spiritual Retreat. This was so meaningful that it was decided to have another one in October. About ten members of our district attended the Retreat in Biloxi in April.

All the units were involved in the School of Mission either by active participation or by contributing to the fund to provide free coffee for the participants.

Shreveport District United Methodist Women are the hostess for Conference Annual Meeting and although Frist United Methodist Women of Shreveport is the hostess unit, all units are participating in some manner.

The Executive Committee have communicated with the local units by newsletter, personal letters, cards, telephone calls, and personal visits. Much was accomplished but much is needed to be done.

Mrs. Louvenia Carter, President
Shreveport District

CONFERENCE VICE PRESIDENT

Serving as Vice President during this centennial year of our organization as Louisiana Methodist Women in mission has been a signal honor and responsibility. Even though down through the past hundred years women's concern about mission has been expressed in many various ways in our organization, still the focus of our PURPOSE remains the same—namely, to initiate and implement a total program that exemplifies the fact that **WE ARE IN MISSION.**

To help move us forward this year in our continuing thrust of being in mission, the Conference Committee on Program, chaired by the Vice President, designed a total program which would implement seven goals, adopted by the Executive Committee February, 1979, some of which related closely to concerns we have always had. The goals dealt with Membership, Communication, "Charter for Racial Justice Policies", Child Advocacy, Law of the Sea, the Reading Program, and our Image as Church Women in mission—as United Methodist Women.

Opportunity for spiritual growth, a basic and ongoing concern, was offered through a Conference-wide Retreat, chaired by the Vice President. The event was held at Seashore Methodist Assembly in Biloxi, Mississippi with 149 women attending and 33 participating through a plan of an "at-home-retreat". Leaders were Mrs. Lois Kohler, Mrs. Cecil Matthews, and Rev. Carole Cotton-Winn. Response was so favorable that another retreat is being scheduled for 1981.

Ecumenical involvement included attendance by Mrs. Robert Compton, Mrs. Truman Ward, and myself at the World Federation of Methodist Women Regional Meeting, chaired by Mrs. Elizabeth Thomas, in November 1978 at Mobile, Alabama. Plans are now underway for a WFMW State Satellite Seminar to be held as a follow-up on November 17, 1979, in

Alexandria. The three special days observed by Church Women United continue to provide meaningful ecumenicl participation by United Methodist Women.

District/Local programming has nurtured our "being in mission" through mission tours, retreats, IYC programs, Reading Program participation, "Talk-about-School". Some creative programming in District events and Annual Meetings has been so noteworthy that it will be shared among Districts.

The culminating responsibility of the Vice President and the Committee on Program will be fulfilled through the 1979 Conference Annual Meeting program, being chaired by Mrs. Wiley B. Gardner, September 21-22 in Shreveport at First United Methodist Church. The theme "A Century of Commitment - Go Ye Therefore" will explore the past, present, and future through a drama depicting our 100-year history, a heritage candle, and issues/answers dialogue with our Women's Division President Mrs. Jarrett Gray, presentations on IYC, membership, and the Reading Program, a "Mission Festival", and an address by Mrs. Gray.

A second century of being in mission even more effectively is possible if a strong total program, built on the enduring first century, is provided, whereby our PURPOSE is the hallmark of all our endeavors.

Mrs. Walter H. Brock, Vice President
Louisiana Conference United Methodist Women

CHRISTIAN GLOBAL CONCERN

The task of the Coordinator of Christian Global Concerns is one of education in enabling and working to initiate local action and world wide concern. This, hopefully, would result in expanded concepts of mission. As a means of fulfilling this task I am or have served on the following committees:

Finance
Program
UMW Image
Cultural Heritage
Conference Retreat
Mission Festival
All Board of Global Ministries Meetings of the Conference
Delegate Regional School
World Development Program (South Central Team)

I have written periodic letters to my 9 district coordinators. These letters have contained such material that I would hope might inspire these leaders that they would be better informed, and would if they saw fit, promote the issues within their districts. The subjects stressed have been:

Conference Mission School
Mission Studies
Law of the Sea
Mission Interpreters
Racial Charter

and a general overview of the purpose and organization of the United Methodist Women.

Margaret Bryan, Coordinator
Louisiana Conference Christian Global Concerns

A REGIONAL TRAINING EVENT

A Regional Training Event was sponsored by the Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries and the Commission on the Status and Role of Women. One hundred and thirteen women and men from twenty-seven conferences gathered in Denver, February 2-4, 1979 to share common and unique concerns. Representing the Louisiana Conference was Amy Ward, UMW, Lottie Palazzo, Cosrow, and John and Carole Cotton Winn, resource persons.

The group examined structures and discussed procedure of General Conference and attempted to understand issues which are expected to be dealt with in the 1980 sessions. The Keynote Address on Biblical Themes was brought by Dr. Harriet Miller of United Theological Seminary, Ohio and the presentation on Strategies by Ms. Barbara Thompson, first president of COSROW. Worship experiences throughout the weekend were led by clergy women from around the Region closing with Holy Communion.

Reported by Amy Ward

Christian Social Involvement

This has been a year of excitement and growth as well as a challenge for the office of Christian Social Involvement.

The entire year has been full and busy attending Committee meetings, Task Groups, and District Elected Training. All of these events were rewarding for it was working with women, who have a sense of dedication and working together toward the realization of the Purpose to develop a creative supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the Church.

Some activities accomplished:

- Special emphasis on the International year of the child (School of Mission)
- Strengthening the United Methodist Women's Program
- Participated in the Mission Festival
- Kept District Coordinators of Christian Social Involvement informed on the many issues of Christian Social Involvement
- Conducted District Leader's Training for district coordinators

Meetings attended:

- Human Rights IYC, Feb. 22-25, New York City
- UMW Retreat, Seashore Assembly, March 23-25, Biloxi
- Annual Meeting, First United Methodist Church, September 21-22, Shreveport
- IYC Conference, December 2-4, Mills College, Oakland, California

Many thanks to the District Coordinators of Christian Social Involvement for their faithfullness and their splendid cooperation in fullfilling the duties of this office. I do hope I will continue to work in the Grace of the Lord and fullfill the purpose of the United Methodist Women.

Reported by: Mrs. T. J. Butler, Sr.
Conference Christian Social Involvement Coordinator

WORLD FEDERATION OF METHODIST WOMEN

The Southern Region (USA) meeting of the World Federation of Methodist Women was held in Mobile, Ala., November 17-18, 1978, at State Street African Methodist Eposcopal Zion Church. Attending from the Louisiana Conference were: Mrs. Truman Ward, Mrs. Walter Brock, and Mrs. Robert Compton, Mrs. Bunyon Jacobs of the Christian Episcopal Methodist Church, was a fourth delegate from Louisiana.

The purpose of the World Federation is "To know Christ and to make Him known." All United Methodist Women are members of the organization.

Mrs. Elizabeth N. Thomas of Camphor Church, Baton Rouge, served as Regional Chairperson for this meeting. The theme was "Women in Christ's Redeeming Work—the Past-Prologue to the Future." The keynote address was by Mrs. Doris M. Handy of the North American Area, President of WFMW.

DISTRICT ELECTED LEADERS' TRAINING

The setting for the October 27-28, 1978 uniquely styled demonstration in leadership training was First United Methodist Church, Pineville. One hundred and four leaders were registered in the training event, including ten Conference officers. They came as "teams" from their districts, and high interest was maintained throughout the period.

The 1978 leadership development was marked by experimenting with a longer time-frame. Registration, dinner, and training highlighted the Friday evening session. Saturday morning was devoted to individual officer job responsibilities, and Modelling Groups formed on issues and special leadership skills.

The entire session was exciting and moving. The support and participation of the District Presidents, the Coordinator Mrs. Gardener, and members of the Special Task Force helped make the meeting a success.

Like the memory of the beautiful season just passed, there is the reminder of our learning community in this training session. The acceptance of the schedule and the return of the evaluations, are indications of fresh beginnings and of God's affirmation working with us. Praise the Lord!

By Clytie Perry
Chairperson

CONFERENCE RETREAT

The first Conference Retreat was held March 23-25, 1979, at the Seashore Methodist Assembly in Biloxi, Mississippi. One hundred and fifty women were in attendance. Thirty three participated through "at-home-retreat".

The theme was "Living Personal Commitment". Taken from I Thessalonians 3:11-13 (NEB), "May the Lord make your love mount and overflow towards one another and towards all. . . May He make your heart firm. . . ," was the main scripture reference for the retreat.

Mrs. Lois Kohler, a member of the Women's Division staff of the Nashville region, and Mrs. Cecil R. Matthews of Lubbock, Tex., a member-at-large of the Women's Division of the Board of Global Ministries, were the two keynoters of the weekend. They provided the guidance for moving through the daily activities, which included personal quiet times of reflection, meditation, walking or praying. These time were balanced with times of a gathered community expressive of joy and service.

Another highlight was when Mary Lou Blakeman, Ardessie Prophet and Anne Hearn, a creative worship and music team presented dramatic Biblical interpretations.

All the women came away more deeply committed and asking when would the next retreat be?

WEST GULF REGIONAL

1979 School of Missions

The West Gulf Regional 1979 School of Missions was held June 18-22nd, at the S.M.U. Campus in Dallas, Texas. A total of 305 participants from several conferences took part in the very well planned school. Very outstanding teachers made the classes interesting plus a great learning experience.

We had our own private cafeteria which made it handy. From the dorms to the classes was an easy five minute walk. Its always such a joy to have the opportunity to meet women from other conferences. In our officer responsibility groups, ideas, problems and materials were shared.

The women from Louisiana were proud of Mrs. Wayne Bryan for her creative talents that were used throughout the school. Also we felt a little claim to Pam Shamblin, Bishop and Mrs. Shamblin's daughter-in-law. Pam took care of all the needs of the participants in her gracious manner.

The 1980 West Gulf Regional School of Missions is to be held in Lincoln, Neb.

Reported by:
Lavella Chrisman
Conference Secretary

LOUISIANA CONFERENCE SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN MISSION

The 1979 Conference School of Christian Mission was held on the Centenary College campus July 17-22, with 228 in attendance for the week-day school and 102 at the week-end school making a total of 330. The theme this year was "Dimensions of the Kingdom-Biblical and Contemporary."

The very capable staff was composed of Mrs. Panthea Freeman, who led the study on "The Parables;" Mrs. Inez W. Chrisentery, Mrs. Ed Cobb, Mrs. G. W. Pomeroy, and Rev. Charles McClure who presented "Middle East Mosaic;" and Mrs. Nathaniel Perry, Miss Maryruth Nickels, and Rev. Charles Sapp teaching "Human Rights and the International Order." Another highlight of the school was the excellent audio-visual work under the leadership of Mrs. Russell Phillips of Kansas.

Our "Learning Center" was again chaired by Mrs. Robert Compton and she was ably assisted by Mrs. Lottie Palazzo, Mrs. E. Mae Calvin, and Mrs. Ed Thomas. Music and worship was beautifully presented by Mrs. Howard Milo and Mrs. Walter Brock, with much assistance from our volunteer choir and many others who gave of their talent.

Our Program Resource Room was ably staffed by Mrs. Carlyle Chapman and some of her District Secretaries. Textbooks and supplementary material were available and sold. Mrs. Wayne Bryan made her usual novel gifts for the 'first timers' and there were over seventy of these. Our offering was sent to the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky and the total from the two schools was 467.00.

In helping to implement our Charter of Racial Policies, our Assistant Dean, Mrs. Chris Hall worked long and hard to present the various cultures within our state boundaries. These were presented in worships, in Fun Night, by posters and exhibits.

Our closing worship was written by Mrs. George Chastain and was a very moving experience, entitled "Ye Shall Go Out With Joy."

The School for 1980 will be under the very capable leadership of Mrs. Truman Ward, Dean and Mrs. Chris Hall, Assistant Dean. The dates are July 22-27 and the courses of study will be "Latin America," "Biblical Understanding of Mission to the Individual and Society," and "The Inner Life."

We look forward to an even bigger and better 1980 School!

Mrs. Edward T. Carruth
Dean 1979 School

STANDING RULES FOR LOCAL UNITS
UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

1. No new unit may be officially reported until a quarterly report has been sent by the treasurer of the new unit to the district treasurer.

2. a. Support for projects which are the financial responsibility of the church-at-large should be as individual members of the church rather than through the treasuries of United Methodist Women.

   b. It is against the policy of the Women's Division to release lists of officers to any organization or commercial firm.

3. All appeals for fund not included in the adopted budget of the unit shall be referred to the Committee on Finance (or the Executive Committee if there is no Committee on Finance) for recommended action before presentation to the local unit.

4. a. Local units shall be represented at the annual meeting of the conference organization on the basis of one delegate for each one hundred (100) members, or major fraction thereof, provided every unit, regardless of size, shall be entitled to at least one delegate.

   b. Membership if each unit shall be determined according to the current Annual Report and Directory, unless corrections are given to the conference president sixty (60) days in advance of the annual meeting.

   (Amended, Sept. 1978)

5. Local units shall be represented at the annual meeting of the district organization on the basis of one delegate for each twenty-five (25) members, or major fraction thereof, provided each unit regardless of size, shall be entitled to at least one delegate.

6. Elections shall be held in September, and those elected shall assume their duties on January 1, of the following year.

7. In the event of the death of the treasurer of the local unit, or the inability of the treasurer to discharge the duties of that office, the president of the unit shall be authorized and empowered by the Administrative Committee (or the Executive Committee, if their is no Administrative Committee) to draw and sign checks on behalf of the unit.

STANDING RULES FOR THE DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

1. Thirty (30) days before the annual meeting of the district organization, each local unit shall be sent registration forms for the meeting and the list of nominees for elected leadership in the district organization.

2. Local units shall be represented at the annual meeting of the district organization on the basis of one delegate for each twenty-five (25) members, or major fraction thereof, provided every unit regardless of size, shall be entitled to at least one delegate.

3. The voting membership at an annual meeting of the district organization shall be the delegates from the local units and the members of the Executive Committee of the district organization.

4. a. A district may be organized into sub-districts to facilitate the work of United Methodist Women within the district. A sub-district leader shall be elected as part of the district elected leadership.

   b. The duties of the sub-district leader shall be to:
      - maintain contact, both personally and in other ways of communication with the units in her sub-district;
      - publicize all activities of the district;
      - assist in organizing new units, in reactivating units which have ceased to function, and in assisting units where help is needed;
      - preside over any sub-district meeting which may be held.

   c. If a sub-district meeting is held, the District Executive Committee shall assist the sub-district leader in determining program emphases for the meeting.

   d. If an offering is taken at a sub-district meeting, expenses excluding refreshments and/or flowers, may be deducted before remittance is made to the district treasurer.

   e. The term of office for a sub-district leader shall be the same as for other elected leaders in the district. Service as a sub-district leader shall not count against tenure. (See District Handbook for United Methodist Women. pg. 9)

(Amended, Sept. 1978)

5. In the event of the death of the treasurer of the district organization, or the inability of the treasurer to discharge the duties of that office, the president of the district organization shall be authorized and empowered by the Administrative Committee to draw and sign checks on behalf of the district organization.

6. The time between the election of the treasurer and the assumption of her duties shall be a time of training during which she will work with the incumbent treasurer, especially in preparing the fourth quarterly report. The treasurer-elect shall attend all Finance and Executive Committee meetings and training events occuring during this interim period.

(Adopted, Sept. 1975)

LOCAL QUARTERLY REPORTS DUE DISTRICT TREASURER:

March 15
June 15
September 15
December 10

DISTRICT QUARTERLY REPORTS DUE CONFERENCE TREASURER:

March 30
June 30
September 30
December 20